

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL
OF SOUTH AFRICA.

(2)

No. 5 / 5

OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL

From
of King
Louban.

SUBJECT.

Applies on behalf of the Kerguelen Whaling
Company for permission to catch sea
elephants on the Crozet Islands.

1910.

16th August

PREVIOUS PAPERS

MINUTES.

The Crozet Islands are under the sovereignty
of France & draft letter informing applicant
of this fact is submitted

J.P.
19/8.

Your Excellency

In view of the answer given
by Lord Crewe to a somewhat similar
application last May (see File No 5/1 herewith)
a reply in terms of the enclosed draft
seems to be all that is necessary.

In the event of your concurrence,
I submit that the previous precedent
should be followed by transmitting
a copy of the correspondence to Ministers
for their information.

H.J. 19/8/10.

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SUBSEQUENT PAPERS

See 5/1 S. Louban's appen.

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Company is carrying on whaling and seal-
ing operations on the Kerguelen Islands,
called by captain James Cook Desolation
Island, and as it is intended to extend seal-
ing operations to the Crozet Islands, distant
about 800 miles from the Kerguelen Islands,
permission to catch sea-elephants on the
Crozet Islands is hereby solicited as I am
told that Great Britain now claims these
Islands. —

As the *s/s* Jeanne D'arc is returning
to Kerguelen about the 28th of this month
I beg to ask for a reply to this appli-
cation before that date. —

Mine respectfully
Theodor Ring,
Commander Norwegian R.N.R.
c/o. Wm. Lotts & Co., Durban —

S/S. Jeanne D'arc.
Durban Aug 16th 1910.



To
H. E. The Governor of
The Union of South Africa.

The Kerguelen Whaling
Company of Christiania,
Norway most respectfully
asks for permission to
catch sea-elephants on
the Crozet Islands -

Your Excellency.

On behalf of the
Kerguelen Whaling Company
of Christiania, Norway,
the undersigned most respect-
fully asks for permission
to catch sea-elephants on
the Crozet Islands from
October 1910 to March 1911.

In 1907 I took part
in a sealing-expedition
to these islands on board of
a Norwegian steamer the
"Solglimt," wrecked in 1909
on Marion island. - No
permission was then re-
quired, the islands being
considered no man's land. -

A depot of provision for
shipwrecked mariners was
put in American bay,
Possession Island, by the
"Solglimt" -

The Kerguelen Whaling
Company

Copy sent to **MINISTERS.**
For **information**
Minuse No. **575**
Dated **23 August 1910.**

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Enclosure No. 2 in South Africa Despatch.
No. 152 of 26 August 1910



Governor-General's Office,
Pretoria,
19 August, 1910.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor-General to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th August, in which you apply on behalf of the Kerguelen Whaling Company for permission to catch sea-elephants on the Crozet Islands; and to inform you in reply, that the Crozet Islands are under the sovereignty of France.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) H. J. STANLEY.

Private Secretary.

Mr. Theodor Ring,
s/s Jeanne d'arc,
DURBAN.

MINISTERS.
Copy sent to.....

For information

Minute No. 575

Date 23 August 1910

SOUTH AFRICA:

No. 152.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S OFFICE,

P R E T O R I A.

26th August, 1910.



My Lord,

With reference to your Lordship's despatch Miscellaneous of the 28th May to the Governor of Natal regarding sealing operations on the Crozet Islands, the contents of which despatch were duly communicated to Mr. Reinertsen, I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of a letter received from Mr. Theodor Ring together with a copy of the reply which I have caused to be sent to him.

16 August
19 August

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

most obedient

humble Servant,

(Sgd.) GLADSTONE

GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

The Right Honourable,

The Earl of Crewe, K.G.,

etc., etc., etc.,

Colonial Office, London.