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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL  
OF SOUTH AFRICA.

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OFFICE OR INDIVIDUAL

SUBJECT.

from

S. 881  
(278)

1911.

24 June

Fisher's application on behalf of the Union  
Whaling Company Durban for a concession  
to catch seals on the Groot Islands and  
Prince Edward Island and for a whaling site  
at Coalbrook Bay

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do. ca. 1911.

See also. Resolution of House of Assembly re whaling rights in Coalbrook Bay.

20/7/11 to Ministers.  
21/7/11 from C. J. Secy. S.M.

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DUPLICATE ENCLOSURE TO  
DEBRATCH NO. 278 DATED 24 June

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1, 2, 3, 13, 14, 15, 16, Bank of Africa  
Chambers,

West Street,

Durban.

27th May, 1911.

Sir,

We have been requested by Mr. A.E. Larsen, Manager for the Union Whaling Company Limited of Durban, Natal, to write to you to enquire whether the Imperial Government would be prepared to grant to him, his agents or licensed assigns:-

1. A concession for sealing, on the Crosseth Islands and Prince Edward Island, for a period of (5) years or more, the said concession to include the right to land on the Islands and bring the catches away. Our client would be prepared to pay a percentage of the amount realised from sealing such operations in return for such concession; and
2. A site for the erection of a Whaling Station at Walfish Bay, West Coast of Africa; the site to be about ten acres in extent, and, if possible, near fresh Water.

We shall be glad if you will be good enough to let us know if the Government would be prepared to accede to our Client's request, and, if so, upon what terms and conditions.

We have, etc.,  
(Signed) C.P. ROBINSON & GOULDING.

THE SECRETARY FOR THE COLONIES,

LONDON.

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Downing Street,

21 June, 1911.

Gentlemen,

Sir, I am directed by Mr. Secretary Harcourt to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo, inquiring as to licenses for sealing or whaling in respect of the Crozet Islands, Prince Edward Island and Walfisch Bay. In reply I am to inform you that the Crozet Islands are not British territory.

As regards Prince Edward Island I am to state that an exclusive licence has already been granted to Mr. T.H. Irvin of Elstree, Forest Road, Aberdeen. Any inquiries in respect of licenses at Walfisch Bay should be addressed to the Government of the Union of South Africa.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Gentlemen,  
Your obedient servant,

I am also for the creation (Sd) *H.W. Justice* Station at Walfisch Bay, West Coast of Africa; the site to be about ten acres in extent, and, if possible, near fresh water.

We shall be glad if you will be good enough to let us know if the Government would be prepared to accede to our Client's request, and, if so, upon

MESSRS C.P. ROBINSON & GOULDING, and conditions.

We have, etc.

(Signed) C.P. ROBINSON & GOULDING

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Reference to previous despatch:

Union of South Africa

Downing Street,

No 278

24 June 1911

My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit to you, for the information of your Ministers, the papers noted below on the subject of an inquiry as to licenses for sealing or whaling in respect of the Crozet Islands Prince Edward Island and Walvisch Bay.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

The Officer Administering

L. HARCOURT.

the Government of

the Union of South Africa.

Date.	Description.
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27 May	from Messrs Robinson and Goulding.
21 June	to — do —

Copy sent to Ministers;  
 For information;  
 Message No. 5/19;  
 Date 20 July 1911.





P. M. 93/7/11.

Prime Minister's Office,  
Pretoria.

21st. July, 1911.

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY TO  
HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of His Excellency the Governor-General's Minute No. 5/19 of the 20th July on the subject of and enquiry as to licenses for sealing or whaling in respect of the Crozet Islands, Prince Edward Island and Walfisch Bay.

*Ab. Baden*

Acting Secretary to the Prime Minister.