

Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 29.

30th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 20 - Medical requirements of Pitcairn Island. Your suggestion considered by Central Medical School Advisory Board who make following observations:-

- (a) Acceptance of person named as student would be subject to his passing entrance examination, standard of general education, his giving an undertaking to obey the rules and regulations of the Central Medical School which include duties and scholastic studies on Saturday morning; and his passing an examination of medical fitness;
- (b) It would have to be clearly understood by person named that he would live with other natives, eat native food, etc.;
- (c) Person named is presumably a Seventh Day Adventist and students of this denomination have in the past caused trouble by refusing to do scholastic work on Saturdays;
- (d) It is considered that there are objections to a student beginning his course at the age of 24, the accepted age being 17;
- (e) The students would take from 4 to 5 years to qualify and in the meantime Pitcairn Island would be without qualified medical assistance.

2. In view of the foregoing the Board recommend as follows:-

- (a) That a candidate of 14 to 15 years of age be selected, educated with Fijian

educated with Fijian students at the Queen Victoria School, and trained for entry into the Central Medical School; and

(b) That in the meanwhile an experienced and suitable Native Medical Practitioner should be seconded for duty in Pitcairn Island. The name of Tatoa is suggested in this connection.

3. Please telegraph your observations and state whether you consider Tatoa or Native Medical Practitioner of similar calibre would be acceptable to the community; also in view of the foregoing what proposal you would make concerning the selection of a nurse.

Secretary.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,

To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 28.

31st December, 1940.

Confidential - Please inform me when your telegram No. 18 need no longer be treated as confidential as I am anxious to be able to give instructions for the redirection of correspondence.

Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Naval Secretary, Navy Office, Wellington, New Zealand.

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31st December, 1940.

Confidential - In view of possibly inaccurate local reports that "Rangitane" and other vessels have disappeared between New Zealand and Pitcairn, I should sincerely appreciate your confidential opinion as to whether I should be justified in sending wife and child by this route. She could alternatively proceed via Panama and San Francisco or remain here and is willing to do either if necessary for sake of child.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 27.

29th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 26 - Please re-address private mail  
care of the British Phosphate Commission, Auckland.  
I suggest that official correspondence should now be  
addressed to the Chief Magistrate but I will instruct  
him to open any addressed to the Deputy Commissioner.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 26.

29th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 27 - In order to give local man maximum practical experience of his duties before his departure Fuller would prefer, with your permission, to relinquish position of Postmaster on the 31st December while continuing to supervise and assist when necessary. This would enable Clark to receive salary from the date of actually commencing his duties.

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Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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28th December - No. 25 - Fuller states that all  
first day cover orders received here have been  
filled with the exception of a few which still  
await advices from Fiji and which Andrew Young  
is capable of dealing with. In view of the in-  
frequency of shipping he asks permission to leave  
with me.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- His Excellency the High Commissioner, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 28.

28th, December, 1940.

My telegram No. 24. Following telegram has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Begins:-

No. 254 - Your telegram No. 264 - Please inform the Pitcairn Islanders that their gift of walking sticks for the use of the wounded soldiers will be most welcome to the British Red Cross, who wish to express their warm thanks. I should like to add my own appreciation of this gift from a small but devoted community.

The sticks should be consigned to the Comforts Collection Committee, British Red Cross Society, 54 Victoria Street, London, S.W.1.

Publicity has been given to the gift.

Ends.

High Commissioner.

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Telegram.

From:- The Acting Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 27.

28th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 21 - Should not proposed appointment  
be with effect from date of departure from island of  
Fuller who is now Postmaster, Pitcairn Island? Other-  
wise there will be two Postmasters at same time, which  
is anomalous position. Upon reception your reply I  
will request approval of Secretary of State to the  
appointment at salary proposed.

Acting Secretary.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Navy Board, Wellington.

28th December, 1940.

Fuller and I estimate that we shall be ready to  
leave by any ship calling after the 15th January.

Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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Rec'd: 28th.

No. 26.

28th December, 1940.

Shall I re-address your private mail in future care of  
the Bank, Auckland ? Should official correspondence  
continue to be addressed to you, or to Chief Magistrate:  
if addressed to you presumably Chief Magistrate will  
open letters after your departure addressed to the  
Deputy Commissioner ?

Secretary.

TELEGRAM.

From:- H.E. Maude, Esq., Pitcairn Island,  
To:- G.B. Gallagher, Esq., Phoenix Islands.

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24th December, 1940.

A peaceful and prosperous 1941 to yourself and all  
friends in the Phoenix. How I wish I was with you.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- H.E. Maude, Esq., Pitcairn Island,  
To:- Sir Harry Luke, K.C.M.G., Suva, Fiji.

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24th December, 1940.

Pitcairn Island community join with us in wishing Your Excellency a peaceful Christmas and every success in the New Year.

Maudes.

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Telegram.

From:- Sir Harry Luke, K.C.M.G., Suva, Fiji,  
To:- H.E. Maude, Esq., Pitcairn Island.

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21st December, 1940.

Rec'd: 22nd.

Best wishes to yourselves and people of Pitcairn  
Island and victorious 1941.

Luke.

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Telegram.

From:- His Excellency the High Commissioner, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 25.

21st December, 1940.

Confidential - Your telegram No. 22 - Proposals approved. Please inform me when you arrive in New Zealand, how much leave you will require and dates of shipping from New Zealand to Nukualofa. Amount of leave you could be granted in N.Z. will depend on exigencies of Armstrong's health.

High Commissioner.

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Telegram.

From:- His Excellency the High Commissioner, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 24.

20th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 23 - Please ship walking sticks as proposed and convey to the people of Pitcairn Island my warm appreciation of their appropriate gift.

High Commissioner.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

No. 23.

15th December, 1940.

Confidential - Your telegram No. 6 - Islanders have now prepared gift of 344 excellent walking sticks for wounded soldiers made from coconut, miro, and orangewood. Unless otherwise instructed by you these are being sent by first direct ship addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Maude.

Telegram.

From:- H.E. Maude, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- P.D. Macdonald, Esq., Suva, Fiji.

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Please ask the Bank of New Zealand to transfer £150 to my account  
with their Queen Street, Auckland, branch.

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Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

No. 21.

13th December, 1940.

For Postmaster, Pitcairn Island.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- His Excellency the High Commissioner, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 22.

12th December, 1940.

Confidential - Your telegram No. 18 - I should be grateful for opportunity. Fortnight's intensive training of reorganized government elected 1st January should permit me to leave by first vessel after the 14th January. Ships usually leave here about the 17th arriving New Zealand about 27th.

I have few days official business in Wellington and should I be required to proceed to Tonga would be grateful for sufficient time in New Zealand to purchase necessary clothes and obtain dental treatment.

Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The Acting High Commissioner, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

No. 20.

12th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 12 - Paragraph 2 - Items of stationery  
with exception of last item, which will be sent as soon  
as possible, despatched today.

Acting High Commissioner.

Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 19.

12th December, 1940.

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Confidential.

Telegram.

From:- His Excellency the High Commissioner, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 18.

11th December, 1940.

Confidential - You may be required to act as Agent  
and Consul in Tonga during the leave of Armstrong  
probably early next year.

Can you state yet when you are likely to  
arrive in New Zealand on the return voyage.

High Commissioner.

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TELEGRAM.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

No. 21.

9th December, 1940.

It is proposed to appoint Roy Clark as Postmaster with effect from the 1st January. Owing to greatly increased work and responsibilities of position as compared with former Postal Agent it is recommended that his salary be fixed at £24 per annum, this being the minimum sum which will attract any efficient candidate.

Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 20.

8th December, 1940.

It is suggested that minimum medical requirements of Pitcairn are one Island Medical Practitioner and one nurse.

- (a) As suitable candidate for training at Central Medical School I recommend Anderson Warren, aged 24, an enterprising islander already partially trained by Dr Southworth.
- (b) There is no suitable girl of right age for immediate training as nurse but Irma, aged  $13\frac{1}{2}$ , sister of above will make ideal trainee if taken away from island now and I strongly recommend that she should complete her education at Suva Grammar School prior to training at Hospital.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 19.

6th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 15 - One cash book only required.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Navy Office, Wellington.

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6th December, 1940.

High Commissioner has approved purchase of Wind Charger.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 17.

6th December, 1940.

Your telegram No. 13 - High Commissioner approves accounts being kept in New Zealand currency but stamp values are expressed in sterling and sales must continue as heretofore in sterling or its equivalent in New Zealand or other acceptable currency.

Other receipts and payments should be regarded as expressed in New Zealand currency unless otherwise stipulated or required.

Secretary.

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Cypher - Transposition.

Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 16.

6th December, 1940.

Your telegram-Nound 16 re Wind Charger - Purchase approved.

Please investigate reason for heavy expenditure on  
benzine supplied by Navy Office to Dyett.

Secretary.

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Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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4th December, 1940.

4th December - No. 15 - Your telegram No. 12 - Financial arrangements approved with the exception that all currency and bank notes other than New Zealand should be sent to this office direct under registered cover. Presumably one cash book only is required?

Your telegram No. 18 - Secretary - Approved.

Secretary.

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Cypher - Playfair.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Navy Office, Wellington.

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3rd December, 1940.

Dyett states he has not received key words for use with  
Playfair Code. Do you wish Magistrate to make him a  
copy, please.

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Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Navy Office, Wellington.

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3rd December, 1940.

Your telegram 22nd November - I have asked the High Commission  
to forward their approval direct.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 18.

29th November, 1940.

Annual changes of Secretary and election of untrained persons incompetent to perform duties have reduced correspondence, books and cash to chaotic state. I propose, subject to your approval, to make position a High Commission appointment in a similar manner to the Postmaster, both being essentially technical posts. Present Secretary, Andrew Young, appears sole islander with aptitude for secretarial duties and his appointment would ensure efficiency and continuity of procedure through successive changes of government.

Maude.

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Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 14.

29th November, 1940.

Your telegram No. 10 - Grant. High Commissioner approves  
(a) and (b). Licence for 1 year from the 13th May, 1939,  
and renewal for 1 year will be issued and forwarded by  
mail. Please collect fees due.

Secretary.  
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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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No. 17.

28th November, 1940.

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Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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No. 12.

26th November, 1940.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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27th November, 1940.  
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27th November - No. 16 - Jones in letter from Apia dated 15th  
August just received asks me to mention him as suitable Master  
"Kiakia".

Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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25th November, 1940.  
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25th November - No. 15 - Your letter 23rd September - "North Star" arrived 8 p.m. 13th December, left 4 p.m. following day. Visit apparently due to curiosity and decided on at meeting held on board after leaving Panama. No water taken. Being ahead of schedule ship also called at Rapa en route Wellington.

Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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24th November, 1940.  
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24th November - No. 14 - Navy Office, Wellington, propose  
purchasing wind charger for local wireless installation price  
£10. I am satisfied charger is necessary and would be  
grateful for your approval of expenditure.

Maude.

~~CROWN~~  
~~STANDARD~~  
~~GOVERNMENT~~

Telegram.

From:- The Navy Board, Wellington,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

22nd November, 1940.

Rec'd: 22nd.

Now if you approve will forward next ship six volt self governing wind  
charger recommended for radio type battery of one hundred and sixty  
ampere hour capacity. Charging rate at one nought six nought revs.  
fourteen amps. Price ten pounds N.Z.

Navy.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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21st November, 1940.  
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21st November - No. 13 - As currency used in island is essentially New Zealand and practically all trading transactions are with that country I recommend that post office be placed on New Zealand currency basis from the 1st January by which time revenue from first day covers will have ceased. Local officials find it difficult to keep accounts or balance cash on basis of dual currency which also affords opportunities for dishonest manipulation. Fuller is entirely in agreement with above and change would be very popular with the islanders.

Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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21st November, 1940.  
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21st November - No. 12 - Your telegram No. 9 - Reorganization of local financial system along following lines is submitted for your consideration. Postmaster to pay surplus balance to Island Secretary at stated intervals for incorporation in main cash book. Secretary to keep sufficient cash for local payments and hand excess periodically to pursers of passenger ships for payment through head office and Burns Philp, Wellington, to High Commission account. All transactions to be supported by revenue receipts or vouchers and copies of cash book entries to be sent to Suva monthly. Postmaster to audit Secretary's books monthly and vice versa.

If suggestions approved please send cash book, two revenue receipt books, 200 personal emoluments and 100 other charges vouchers, with 100 loose sheets ruled similarly to double page of cash book. Necessary arrangements with shipping companies could be made on my arrival in New Zealand.

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Maude.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,

To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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18th November, 1940.  
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18th November - No. 10 - Your telegram No. 1 - Grant. After considering all aspects I suggest that he might be granted licence renewable at the end of say two years and conditional on his -

- (a) Entering into bond before me that he will leave the island on being required to do so by the government. Such bond might be in the sum of £20 (i.e. the cost of returning him to New Zealand), with two satisfactory sureties.
- (b) Signing undertaking to observe conditions 5 to 9 in the Notice to Applicants. He has already satisfied conditions 1, 2 and 4.

Local government and islanders are in favour of his remaining.

Maude.

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TELEGRAM.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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11th November, 1940.

Rec'd: 11th.

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11th November - No. 9 - Your letter 12th October - His Excellency  
approves of your proposal to remain until the end of the year.  
Secretary of State has approved proposal in your telegram No. 8  
for pay of government officials.

Stamp Sales. Please request Fuller to make arrangements  
as you propose.

Secretary.

TELEGRAM.

From:- His Excellency the High Commissioner, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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6th November, 1940.

Rec'd: 6th.

6th November - No. 8 - Your telegram No. 9 - Proceed as you propose if you are satisfied that any law exists applicable in Pitcairn Island under which the offender could be prosecuted.

If no such law exists you should take action to prevent further vandalism and consider how deficiency can be remedied whether by local regulation, addition to the code, or otherwise.

Carvings should be sent to Suva Museum for the time being.

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High Commissioner.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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30th October, 1940.

Rec'd: 30th.  
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30th October - No. 6 - Confidential - Your telegram No. 5 - Under instructions from the Secretary of State please inform the people of Pitcairn Island that His Majesty's Government has been greatly pleased by their generous offer and particularly gratified as it is realized offer shows a readiness to accept considerable sacrifice on the part of community to whom through their isolated position many of the amenities of life have been denied. The government scheme for evacuating children overseas has, however, been suspended for the time being and it is doubtful whether on resumption it will be possible to take advantage of the offer of the people of Pitcairn Island.

For your own confidential information possibility is unlikely of children being sent to Pitcairn Island, and it is suggested that in order to avoid any feelings of disappointment amongst the islanders you should consider whether some other outlet for their desire to assist cannot be found.

Arrangements are being made for the British Broadcasting Corporation to refer to this generous offer in their Empire Service and His Majesty's Government appreciation of the sentiments which inspired it.

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Secretary.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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29th October, 1940.  
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29th October - No. 9 - Islander has cut valuable prehistoric carving from cliff face for sale in America. These are considered public property and to prevent further vandalism offender will be prosecuted, unless you direct otherwise, for wilful damage to property.

The petroglyphs are of considerable scientific interest and the cause of several expeditions visiting the island. I should be grateful, therefore, for your directions as to disposal of specimen and would suggest that it be deposited in Auckland Museum, which specializes in Pitcairn Island material, until end of war permits transfer to British Museum. Islanders would agree to such course.

Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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22nd October, 1940.  
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22nd October - No. 8 - Island has unanimously approved new constitution and code as amended but while government posts remain honorary it is difficult to persuade leaders of community to accept office or to insist on reasonable standard of efficiency or interest in government work. As a result prestige of local government is low and elections largely a farce.

If conduct of local affairs is to be put on sound footing there appears to be no alternative to suggestion made by the Chief Judicial Commissioner that small salaries should be attached to each post and I recommend that commencing from the 1st January next officials should be paid at following annual rates:-

Chief Magistrate £36;

Assessors £6 each;

Island Secretary £24;

Chairman of Internal Committee £12; and

Members £6 each.

Annual post office profits should considerably exceed sum required and it is urged that this expenditure should be first charge on such revenue if island is not to revert to unsatisfactory state which obtained on my arrival. I am recommending separately that Dyett's salary be reduced.

Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- H.E. Maude, Esq., Pitcairn Island,

To:- P.D. Macdonald, Esq., Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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22nd October, 1940.  
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My telegram No. 8 is in code as well. If Vaskess is not satisfied as to necessity of salaries would you ask him to defer decision until receipt of my private letter of 12th October which left here same date.

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Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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8th October, 1940.  
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8th October - No. 7 - Your telegram No. 3 - Dyett arrived at  
Pitcairn Island 15th December.

Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island.

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5th October, 1940.

Rec'd: 8th.  
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5th October - No. 3 - Your telegram No. 4 - Dyett is entitled to allowance from the date of arrival on Pitcairn Island. Payment has been made by Navy Department in error from 1st December. Telegraph to me date of his arrival so that adjustment can be effected.

Secretary.

GROWTH  
STANDARD  
GENUINE

Telegram.

From:- The Officer in Charge, Pitcairn Islands Stamp Issue,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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5th October, 1940.  
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5th October - No. 6 - Your telegram No. 2 - No mail expected prior to 15th October. If covers are to receive first-day postmark suggest opening date be postponed one month. Due to short notice and delay in mails reaching island orders already received are fewer than anticipated but correspondence here indicates that further orders for first-day covers are in mails due from both Wellington and Panama which will otherwise arrive too late for fulfilment.

Fuller.

Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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30th September, 1940.  
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30th September - No. 5 - People of Pitcairn Island respectfully request His Excellency to convey to British Government their earnest desire to provide homes and food for 35 evacuated children for duration of war and as long afterwards as necessary. Twenty-one families have volunteered to be responsible for care of these children and I am satisfied that food resources of island are ample for their maintenance. Offer has entire approval of local government and is due to spontaneous desire of whole island to do all in their power to help Mother Country in her need.

Suggest that island would afford very suitable home for working class children not accustomed to too many luxuries of life. Climatic and health conditions are good and school facilities available under certificated Australian teacher. Full details as to ages and sexes preferred by each family are ready for forwarding if desired.

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Maude.

Children Ordered for Pitcairn Boys Girls

1	1	
		1.12 yrs
1	2.	
1	2	
1	2	1
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1	1	
1	2	
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1.7 yrs	1.10 yrs	
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1.10 yrs	1.10 yrs	
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1	1	
		1.5 yrs.
		1.11 yrs
		1.15 yrs.

12:	243
12	23

Total

35

20 families

# British Wireless Marine Service

Joint Service Department of :

The Marconi International Marine Communication Co., Ltd., Radio Communication Company Ltd.  
and Marconi Sounding Device Co., Ltd.  
Marconi Offices, Electra House, Victoria Embankment,  
London, W.C.2.

# TO-DAY'S NEWS

S.S. ....

Press message from the Wireless Station at ..... Date ..... Words .....

Fred Christian	2. Boy & Girl
Thornton "	1. Girl 12 yrs
Burnett -	3. 2 Girl. 1 Boy
Edna "	1. Boy.
Vernon Young	2. Girl
David "	1 - 1-
Lawrence "	1. "
Theo "	2. Boy & Girl
Herbert "	3. 1 Boy 2 Girl
Katie "	2. Boy & Girl
Oliver Clark	2. Boy or "
Mary Coffin	2. Girls
Rosa.	1. Girl
Alwyn	2. Boy & Girl
May Clark	2. Boy & Girl
Virgil	1. Girl.
Nelson	1. Boy.
Sam.	2. Boy & Girl
Eleanor	1. Girl.
Minnie	1. Girl
Myra	1. Girl.

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Telegram.

From:- The High Commission Representative, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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26th September, 1940.  
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26th September - No. 4 - Please inform me date from which  
salary of Dyett commenced.

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Maude.

STANDARD  
AGENCY  
TELEGRAM

Telegram.

From:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji,  
To:- The High Commission Representative, Suva, Fiji.

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24th September, 1940.  
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24th September - No. 1 - Your telegram No. 3 - In January and February, 1939, Grant was fully informed of the requirements before he could land in Pitcairn Island and was supplied with a copy of King's Regulation No. 3 of 1938. He therefore wilfully flouted the law and committed an offence and his explanation that he was under the impression that his method of entry was legally permissible does not appear to accord with fact.

You should investigate further in the light of the foregoing bearing in mind the desirability of excluding questionable characters from Pitcairn Island. If you should then still wish to recommend as in your telegram No. 3, and if the people are in favour of his being allowed to remain, the High Commissioner is prepared to agree.

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Secretary.

Telegram.

From:- H.E. Maude, Deputy Commissioner, Pitcairn Island.

To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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23rd September, 1940.  
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TELEGRAM.

From:- The Deputy Commissioner, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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17th September, 1940.  
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17th September - No. 3 - Your telegram 24th April to Chief Magistrate - Grant landed 13th May, 1939, under permit from Chief Magistrate sent direct to shipping company both being under impression that this was legally permissible. He has proved inoffensive, industrious, and popular, and of considerable value to community in raising standard of agricultural work. Since there is no possibility of bond being obtained under existing circumstances I respectfully suggest condition should be waived as otherwise he and his fiancee must perforce remain celibate.

Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- H.E. Maude, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- L.E. Ambler, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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6th September, 1940.  
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Grateful if you would buy one foolscap size four drawer steel  
filing cabinet from Morris Hedstrom for me and deduct from my  
salary. Understand price about 10 guineas. Please ship Beru  
if possible.

Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- H.E. Maude, Deputy Commissioner, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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4th September, 1940.  
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4th September - No. 2 - I should be grateful if you could  
send copy of proof of Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony  
revised Native Governments Ordinance.

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Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- H.E. Maude, Deputy Commissioner, Pitcairn Island,  
To:- The Secretary, Western Pacific High Commission, Suva, Fiji.

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25th August, 1940  
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25th August - No. 1 - Arrived New Zealand 21st July, left  
11th August, assumed duty Pitcairn 20th August. I will  
telegraph the estimated date of completion of work as soon  
as possible.

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Maude.

TELEGRAM.

From:- The Naval Secretary, Wellington, New Zealand,  
To:- H.E. Maude, Deputy Commissioner, Pitcairn Island.

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21st August, 1940.

Rec'd: 21st.

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You are requested to call on Director of Works, Wellington,  
on your return to New Zealand.