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Wages of officers and crew, 130 men (assuming they will be paid, as is customary, double wages), for one year - - - -	21,000
Salaries for small staff of scientific gentlemen, for one year -	1,500
First year's expenditure - - - - -	78,500
Second „ „ - - - - -	22,500
Final half year - - - - -	11,250
Total cost - - - - -	£ 112,250

The foregoing estimate must be received as only approximate, and so far as I can see will not be less. It is fair to assume that when the vessels return, they and the stores would be worth about 15,000%, or in round numbers the cost of the expedition will be about 100,000% for two-and-a-half years. Should the expedition return in one-and-a-half years it will be lessened by about 22,500%.

(Signed) FREDK. JNO. EVANS,
Hydrographer.

October 22d, 1874.

Enclosure No. 1.

The deputation to represent to Mr. Gladstone the valuable results to be derived from an examination of the unknown area round the North Pole, and the importance of despatching a Naval Arctic Expedition in the spring of 1874, would be composed of—

The Council of the Royal Geographical Society, represented by Sir Bartle Frere, the President; Sir Henry Rawlinson, Admiral Collinson, Admiral Sherard Osborn, Sir George Back, &c. &c.

The Council of the Royal Society, represented by Dr. Hooker, the President; Professor Huxley, Professor Allman, Mr. Bush, Mr. Prestwich, Mr. Sclater, and General Strachey. The Council of the Royal Society resolved that, “In the event of a renewed application being made to the Government by the Royal Geographical Society for the purpose of inducing them to undertake a Polar expedition, a deputation be appointed to represent to the Government the views of the Royal Society in reference to the scientific results to be expected from the expedition.” “That the deputation (named above) be requested to make the necessary arrangements with the President of the Royal Geographical Society.”

The British Association, represented by a committee elected by the Council at Bradford, consisting of Admiral Ommaney, Dr. Hooker, General Strachey, and Mr. Markham.

The Dundee Chamber of Commerce, who at the same time will present a memorial, submitted by their member Sir John Ogilvy, representing the great practical value of Arctic exploration, both with reference to the interests of the seafaring population of the west of Scotland generally, and to those of the trade and manufactures of Dundee, especially that branch engaged in the manufacture of jute, for which animal oil is essential. This branch of industry not only gives employment to thousands in Scotland, but to millions in our Eastern Empire. The Chamber consider it most important that the whole unknown area should be explored, that a more exact knowledge may be acquired of the haunts, migration, and numbers of the various oil-yielding animals. The Chamber also look upon Arctic expeditions as an admirable school for training seamen, and as useful in giving employment to some of the most intelligent among the experienced mates, harpooners, and foremast men at the Scottish and Yorkshire ports, especially Peterhead, Aberdeen, Dundee, Whitby, and Hull.