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Index to Law of S.A.S.

by Mr. Sockett, Deputy Registrar of High Land.
Sends. with covering cover. Ch.
Jackson & Atty Genl. have a high opinion of
the work which reflects great credit on Mr. Sockett

~~The Printing~~
to Read

This Index should be a valuable book of
reference - it is more than 6 years
since Sir P. Girouard complained of
the absence of anything of the kind.

At the same time the gaps in the
Index is rather a white elephant and it
would have been no doubt if Mr. Sockett
had wanted but the printing Index is
complete.

Asks rect. & ask that the S.M.'s
thanks may be conveyed to Mr. Sockett
for the copy of the Index, with an
expression of the his appreciation of
the value of the work done by him.

Sh. 261 sent to April '16
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Next subsequent Paper.

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which Mr. Lockett has devoted to
its completion.

Col B

3.4.16

I have no doubt, from Mr. Lockett's record,
that this piece of work is careful
& accurate - & so it will be most
valuable.

I suppose they will send us some
printed copies when available

JSA

3/4/16

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C.O.
15406EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.
NO. 150.GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

21 MAR 16

March 7th, 1916.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of a letter from Mr. Sockett, Deputy Registrar of the High Court, and of an Index to the law of the East Africa Protectorate which he has prepared.

2. This work, of which I understand both the Chief Justice and the Attorney General have a high opinion, has been compiled by Mr. Sockett in his spare time and I consider that he deserves great credit for it.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,


GOVERNOR'S Deputy

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

ANDREW BONAR LAW, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S. W.

RECEIVED
In Reply to No. 150 of March 7th 1916

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The Court,
NAIROBI.

28th February, 1916.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies,
Downing Street,
LONDON.

Sir,

I have the honour to send under separate registered cover a copy of a book I have prepared on the law of the East African Protectorate consisting of two parts. Part 1 is printed and deals with the law from Access to Drugs; Part 2 is typewritten and deals with headings from Drunkenness to Zanzibar - excluding Townships, which I am bringing up to date.

2. I arrived in East Africa in 1914, and on the 8th of January 1915 I handed the book over for printing to a private firm, viz., The Standard Printing and Publishing Works, which is the only firm in East Africa with a linotype machine. I had previously ascertained that the Government had no objections to my having the book printed; I had also informed the Government it was not my intention to make a profit out of it, but that I intended to hand over proceeds to War Relief Funds.

3. From January to October 1915, the book was in the hands of the Standard, but I had to explain to them, which they excused on account of military work. The amount printed by the Standard is seen in Part 1.

4. Towards the end of October 1915 I formally approached His Honour The Chief Justice (to whom I gave a complete

copy of the book) with a view to the Government taking over the work, and His Honour on 21st October, 1916, advised the Government to do so. At a meeting of the Native A. S. C. held on the 23rd December, 1915, it was resolved. Mr. A. J. Barry, B.A., B.C.L., (Oxon), Barrister-at-Law, and carried unanimously by the 15 members (consisting of English, Scotch and Irish Barristers and Solicitors) present, as follows:-

"That, following on a recommendation of the Chief Justice, the Government be urged to print and publish at the earliest possible moment the index to the Ordinances, and Orders in Council of the East Africa Protectorate, prepared by Mr. A. E. Sockett, as it is felt that a great need for the issue of the index exists amongst the officials, profession, and public".

5. I received a letter, dated the 15th January, 1916, from the Government thanking me on behalf of His Excellency The Governor for handing the book over.

6. I am very glad the Government have taken over the remainder of the printing and publishing - the book to be printed is seen in Part I. I enclose some of part of the correspondence dealing with it. I hold myself ready to publish at future dates up-to-date supplements and add to it. I wish the Government press gives printing facilities.

7. I intend to confer with His Excellency to try and ensure the book being published within two or three months; and if it is found that the Government press (which is very busy) cannot complete in this time, I shall ask His Excellency if I may be relieved to proceed to Europe. Further delay in printing would be fatal to its utility, and my health would not stand the strain.

8. In respectfully asking your acceptance of the book I express the hope that you may find the same useful. There are headings Secretary of State; Orders in Council, Administration of the Protectorate, Crown and Government, Foreign States, Executive and Legislative Councils, Courts, Governor, High Court, Chief Secretary Attorney General and Military.

9. In addition to headings mentioned in the last paragraph, you will observe every department of the Government is provided for under such headings as Assistant District Commissioner, District Commissioner, Provincial Commissioner, Police, Public Works, Crown Lands, Customs, Medical, Treasury, Game, Agricultural, Veterinary, and Railway. There is a long heading of Natives, which I think will be of especial value in native administration. I have tried to make the book particularly useful to members of the administrative staff; and if it succeeds in facilitating, and adding greater interest to, their work, I shall feel more than compensated.

10. I may perhaps add to the book an introduction, and an index to emergency legislation (local, and Imperial affecting East Africa) and Proclamations &c under Martial Law. With the heading Military already done, the book would then be of great value in war work.

11. I should like to draw your attention to the type-written copy (Part 2). The first few pages contain explanations of abbreviations, list of Ordinances not applied, and general observations explaining the method of preparation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signature)
Deputy Registrar,

High Court.

Copy correspondence referred to in letter
to Secretary of State for the Colonies,
dated 28th February, 1916.

Copy correspondence as follows:-

- 21, October, 1915. Copy endorsement on
Secretariat minute by
His Honour The Chief Justice.
- 15, January, 1916. Letter from Honourable Chief
Secretary to Mr. A.E.
Seckett.
- 18, January, 1916. Letter from Mr. A.E. Seckett
to Honourable Chief
Secretary.

A. E. Seckett

Mr. Menon,

The book is of considerable value and I should like to see it produced as soon as possible.

I am certainly in favour of the Government taking it over from the Standard, but ^{it} is most important that the Standard, who have practically failed in their contract with Mr. Seckett, should not be paid at too high a rate for the work they have done.

To arrive at a fair figure I would advise a meeting between Mr. Martin, Mr. Mayer and Mr. Seckett.

As regards finding the funds for payment to the Standard this would possibly be arranged out of our Library Vote.

ed/ R.W. Hamilton.

21st October 1915.

Copy of C.J.'s minute on Secretariat file
No.8.12961.

Intd. A. F. S.

W. H. H.

NO. 12691/28.

THE SECRETARIAT.

NAIROBI,

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

JANUARY 15th, 1916.

Sir,

Index to the Law of the E. A. P.

His Excellency has carefully examined your Index in conjunction with the Chief Justice and remarks that it is a valuable work, full of useful detail.

2. His Excellency directs me to express his appreciation of the value of the work, and of your public spirited action in placing it at the disposal of the Government.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

sd/ W. J. Moneon.

For CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT

A. E. Sockett Esq.,
Nairobi.

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C O U R T,

N A I R O B I.

10th January 1916.

The Honourable Chief Secretary,
Nairobi.

Sir,

INDEX TO LAW OF E. A. P.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. S.12961/28 of the 16th Instant.

2. I shall be glad if you will convey to His Excellency my grateful thanks for the kind remarks he has passed.

3. I need hardly say that I shall be only too willing to see the book through the press at the earliest opportunity and I hope that when it is published it will prove of great utility to all officials.

4. I should like to place on record also my appreciation of the kindly interest His Honour the Chief Justice has taken in the work.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

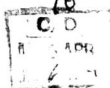
ed/ A. E. Sockell.

DEPUTY REGISTRAR. Nairobi.

Copy to His Honour the Chief Justice.

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S.C.

Sir,

6 April 1916

I have the honour to acknowledge

the receipt of your despatch No 150 of the

7th of March, transmitting copies of

a letter from Mr. A. E. Sockett,

Deputy Registrar of the High Court,

together with an Index to the Laws
of the E.A.P. which he has

prepared

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DRAFT.

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Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

~~Sir J. Anderson.~~

Mr. Steel-Maitland.

Mr. Bonar Law.

copy of the Index, together with
an expression of my appreciation
of the value of the work and of the
labour which he has devoted to
its completion.

3. I presume that you will in due course
furnish me with copies of the
Index in its printed form.

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(Signed) J. EDGAR LAW.

for
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14 Sept 18

Ans'd 6 200

Sir

With refer to my last. No.
261 of the 28th of April last,
~~on the subject of the Index~~

to the Law of the C.A.P.
Compiled by Mr. A. E. Sockell.

I have the honour to ^{express} request

~~that you will inform me~~

when I may expect to
receive ^{printed} copies of the Index
~~in its printed form~~

Yours

DRAFT.

E.A.P.
No. 654
Jr. Li. H.C. Belfield.

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Mr. Hatcher 11/9
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Mr. Lambert.
Mr. Read.
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Mr. Steel-Maitland.
Mr. Bonar Law.