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This copy of despatch from Adis Ababa reporting that Mr Chefnoux states that the Abyssinian Govt have asked for his advice in the matter.

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W. B. Stomley, Sr & Fielder

I understand that Mr Chefnoux is a private individual interested in French railway projects in Abyssinia.

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*The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents  
his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the  
Colonies — and, by direction of the Secretary of  
State, transmits herewith copy of the under-mentioned paper.*

*Foreign Office,  
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*Foreign Office, August 30.*

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Name and Date.	Subject.
<i>Mr Theiga (Adis Ababa) August 13.</i>	<i>Rectification of Southern Frontier of Abyssinia.</i>

ADIS ABABA.

13. August 1913.

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Sir,

I have the honour to report that Mr. Chefneux called on me today to say that the Abyssinian Government had asked for his advice with regard to the rectification of the frontier but that as the details of the case were unknown to him he had suggested that he should come to the Legation and hear my views and borrow from me maps which he would copy for the Government inserting the names in Amharic.

This is the first favourable symptom I have to report showing a disposition on the Abyssinian side to consider the question seriously.

I explained to Mr. Chefneux our point of view and told him I considered he would be doing a very great service to both countries if he could induce the Government to consent to our demands, and he promised me that he would do his best.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

with the highest respect,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

*W. E. D. Grey*

The Right Honourable

Sir E. Grey, Bart. K.G.

Etc. Etc. Etc.