

Crown Agents

1914

13 Nov.

at previous paper.

42021.

Family Remittance
J.H. Thomson.

Sends letter from Col. regr arrangements made locally by Mr. Thomson. Suggest procedure by which a regular monthly remittance might be despatched to Mr. Thomson.

Mr. B. G. Stanley, Esq.

C.A. inform me by telephon that they have now received the draft 1785/- for £27.5.8 dated 3 Oct. 1914, referred to in para 2 of their letter.

We can now reply to 42021. That 1. It is understood that from the C.A. that Mr. Thomson is now in Nairobi and is making arrangements to post draft regularly to his bankers in future: point out the delay is generally due to the iniquity of the mail service and say that 2. The Govt will shortly furnish a list of officers who wish regular payments to be made by C.A. in the country and that Mr. Thomson will have the opportunity of taking advantage of this arrangement.

(The C.A. proposal in para 3 - cp para 3 of their Circular 8853/14 - does not get over the mail difficulty) 17/8 D. 20.11.14
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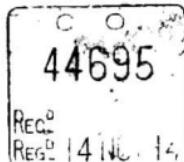
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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TELEGRAMS, "CROWN, LONDON"
TELEPHONE 7780 VICTORIA (8 LINES).



WHITEHALL GARDENS,
LONDON, S.W.

13th November, 1914.

EAST AFRICA

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.

42021/1914 of the 4th November, on the subject of
the remittances made by Mr. J. Hastings Thomson,

District Commissioner, East Africa Protectorate,

I have the honour to forward herewith copies of

letters which have been forwarded to us by the

Protectorate Government, respecting the arrangements
that have been made locally for the despatch of Mr.

Thomson's remittances to this country.

2. With regard to the issue of Mr. Thomson's
salary locally by draft drawn on his favour of his
bankers, Messrs. Grindlay and Company, it appears
that three drafts were issued in the Protectorate in
favour of Messrs. Grindlay dated 26th June, 28th
July and the 27th August for £27.15.4., £39.3.4., and
£39.3.4 respectively; the first was cashed by Messrs.
Grindlay, but the second, although drawn in the first
place to the order of Messrs. Grindlay, was subsequently
made payable to "Bearer" by the Treasurer at Nairobi

and

Under Secretary of State,

&c. &c.,

Colonial Office.

and cashed by Mr. Thomson through the National Bank of India. The third draft has not yet been presented. We have, however, been advised of the issue of two drafts in favour of Mr. J. H. Thomson, No. 17850 for £12.17.6 dated 26th September 1914, and No. 17851 for £27.5 6 dated the 3rd October 1914, and these are the drafts mentioned in the enclosed correspondence. The former draft has been presented for acceptance by the National bank of India, (to whom the amount will apparently be paid in due course), and not by Messrs. Grindlay and Company. Draft No. 17851 has not yet been presented at this office. Unless, therefore, the draft for £27.5.6 has been sent to Mr. Thomson in Messrs. Grindlay and Company, it would appear that Mr. Thomson has not made any remittances to that firm for the month of September as no advice has been received by us of the issue of a draft in Messrs. Grindlay's favour during that month.

3. It appears to us that, in order to ensure that Mrs. Thomson receives money regularly each month, Mr. Thomson should be advised to arrange with the Treasury that an amount should be deducted from his salary monthly and remitted to this country by the Government by means of a family remittance draft drawn upon us in favour of Mrs. Thomson, the drafts being sent direct to Mrs. Thomson by the Treasurer.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

B. Prechee
for Crown Agents

THE TREAS.

Nairobi, 22nd Sept.

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m No. 279/b57.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by His Excellency to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. dated the 6th August 1914 and to inform you that arrangements have been made by Mr. J. H. Thomson, District Commissioner, with this office for Family remittances, but he draws his salary locally by a sterling draft drawn by me on you in favour of his Bankers Messrs. Grindlay & Co. and I understand that drafts are posted by him to his Bankers every month. Mr. Thomson is now in Nairobi and his draft will be dated regularly by him to his Bankers in future.

I will recover the amount of £27-5-8 advanced by you to Mr. Thomson legally from Mr. Thomson when paying his salary for September.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

Sd/- C. F. Hickie.

for Mys. Treasurer.

THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,

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District Commissioner's Office,

Nairobi,

1st October 1914.

The Hon'ble the As. Treasurer,

Nairobi.

With regard to the draft for £11.17.8 received yesterday on account of my September salary I have the honour to inform you that the deduction made was, so far as I can see unjust to me.

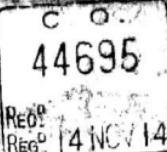
The following is a quotation from a letter received by me here from my wife "Your registered letter and one written day you went on leave back on Tuesday morning. I must thank you for sending draft which I am returning to Crown Agents at their request as they send me a form as directed by Mr. Harcourt".

From the foregoing it will be seen that the deduction from my salary has been made twice i. e. (i) my wife returned a draft, forwarded by me, to the Crown Agents. (ii) Your deduction from my salary for this month. It is to be presumed in the Colonial Office or Crown Agents have not informed you as above (No.1) that will do so and I desire you to pay the locally amount evidently due to me.

S/I. J.H. Thomson.

District Commissioner.

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THE TREASURY,

Nairobi 3rd October 1914.

From No.279/577.

The Crown Agents for the Colonies,

L O N D O N .

Gentlemen,

With reference to my letter No.279/557 of 22nd September 1914, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to forward herewith a copy of a letter I have received from Mr. J. H. Thomson, a District Commissioner in this Protectorate and to inform you that the amount of £27-5-8 recovered by me from Mr. Thomson has this day been refunded to him by a draft No.17861 on you.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

S/I. C.A. Hickie.

For Acting Treasurer.

The Under Secretary Of State,

Colonial Office,

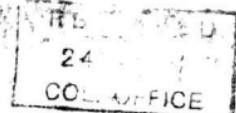
L O N D O N, S.W.

MASON, HYLTON & DICKIE,

SOLICITORS

JAMES HYLTON,
JOHN DICKIE,

TELEGRAMS,
WIRELESS, GUMPIFRIED
TEL NO. 42.



127, Fresh Street
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23rd November, 1914.

Sir,

Mrs. J. Hastings Thomson

44695/1914.

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 21st inst. and have to thank you for the information it conveys. We trust in view of the arrangements being made by the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate it will be unnecessary to trouble you further in this matter.

We are,

Yours faithfully,

J. Mason, Hylton & Dickie

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C.A. 44695/1914

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21 November 1914.

Gentlemen,

DRAFT.~~W^m Thomson, Myles
& Dickie.~~MINUTE.[T.
42021]29th October

I am &c. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the

and to inform you that he understands from

the C.A. for the facts that

Mr J Hastings Thomson

is now at Harrods

and is making

arrangements

post drafts regularly to his bankers in future

PRO

Mr. Harcourt 21/11/1914

Mr. Bottomley 21/11/1914

Mr.

Mr.

Sir G. Fiddes.

Sir H. Just.

Sir J. Anderson.

Lord Islington.

Mr. Harcourt.

2. I am to point out
that the delay in the payments
of pay is generally due to
the irregularity of the mail
service in the present
circumstances, and in order
to obviate this difficulty
the Govr of the C.A. will shortly
furnish a list of officers who
wish regular payments to their
families to be made by the
C.A. ~~govt~~ in this country.
Mr Thomson will have the
opportunity of taking advantage
of this arrangement.

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(Signed) HENRY LAMBERT,
for the Under Secretary of State.