

DESPATCH

EAST AFRIC PROT.

No. 37780

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No.

London 515.

(Subject.)

1905

Death of Captain Hook.

Re. noted instructions as to furnishing  
suitable medical reports in future cases.

Draws into copy P.M.C. report on Capt. Hook  
with observations.

(Minutes.)

Mr. Read, the Compt,  
In 1906 I received under  
date 12<sup>th</sup> May your  
affidavit Capt. Hook; it was  
not till 31<sup>st</sup> May that he  
had been medically examined  
He had better say that in such  
cases a medical man. Always  
be condition precedent to afft.

With regard to the medical  
report our doct. was not  
intended to include the making  
also of a detailed medical report  
as the Compt. would suppose: but  
unless they are to be sent

to Sir P. Marston or some one  
which was not done in ~~the~~  
Capt. Hook nor it is not  
their being sent to us - Do you  
know if Dr. M wants them

Mo 26/10

H. J. R.

Mo

Yes we  
plan to  
originally  
the man  
who he is  
examined  
as gotten  
leave. So  
know who  
ever was  
Hook - A  
mile off &  
report the  
findings.  
(Note) P  
& return

## EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 515

C. O.  
COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE  
37780Re:  
MOMBASA, 23

September 28th 1905.

B.I.C.

I have the honour to report that I have noted the instructions contained in your despatch No. 363 of 18th ultim., with regard to the omission of medical details in future reports on the deaths of officials.

2. With reference to the second paragraph of your despatch under reply, I have the honour to state that the late Captain Hook was examined and declared medically unfit a short while before his death. As Captain Hook had only a few months previously been accepted by a Life Insurance Company, I was of opinion that our doctors had taken too pessimistic a view of his case, and I was considering what had better be done in the matter when he

I. M. Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

London, S.W.

was taken suddenly ill and died. I have the honour to  
transmit to you herewith a copy of the Principal Medical  
Officer's report.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble servant,

(In the absence of H.M. Commissioner)

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Captain C. C. Hook.

Age - 52

Weight - 9 st. 6 lbs.

Height 6 ft. 2

No history of syphilis or Consumption.

History of Gonorrhoea and Malaria (Lagos).

Residences abroad:-

West Africa 1908-96.

West 1908-102.

South Africa 1908-94.

East Africa 1905

Not a smototaler.

Family history:-

Father died pneumonia aged 55.

Mother alive 66 in good health.

Brothers two alive 39 x 36 in good health.

Sisters two alive 37 x 40 "

Present State:-

General physique poor.

Circulatory System:-

Pulse easily compressed- very quick murmur over same probably due to nervousness.

Respiratory System:-

Shape of chest almost conical-tapering above.

Depressions under both clavicles, pectoral muscles very badly developed. Right side some loss of movement, dulness, poor air entry-fine rales signs pointing to tubercular processes not very active at present time.

Digestive

SIR D STEWART  
8/8/1955

Reference: R. O. despatched 1955.  
Report: No report.

Indications: 1.

Received:

Cape Town, South Africa

by Dr. H. G. Stewart

18/8/1955

Digestive System.

Abdomen protuberant, flabby.

Large spleen.

Left direct inguinal Hernia.

Right ring large and weak-

(Wears a badly fitting cruss).

Nervous System.

Very marked general acuteness of cutaneous sensibility.

Genito Urinary System.

Urine - Acid, Sp.gra. 1015 - No alb.

Fehling's solution readily reduced -

(examination of several different specimens)  
show same result.

May 1905.

Sd/- S. R. Walker,

Asst. P.M.Q.

Sd/- C. A. Wiggins,

Medical Officer.

COPY.

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No. 40/1.

P. M. O's Office,  
NAIROBI.

2nd June 1905.

SIR,

I have the honour to forward herewith a certificate, conjointly signed by Drs. Walker and Wiggins, on the physical fitness of Captain C. C. Hook, J.A.D.R., Mombasa.

From this it will be seen that Captain Hook is physically unfit for service in the Protectorate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Yours most obedient,

Humble servant,

Sd/ / J. W. G.

Principal Medical Officer  
(M.D.S.)

A. M. Deputy Commissioner,

NAIROBI.

Connie

E. A. Post.

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DRAFT

G.A.P. No 4484.

O. B. B.

MINUTE.

Other info

Oct 5<sup>th</sup> October 05

Sir I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No 515 of the 26<sup>th</sup> ult.  
on the subject of the  
circumstances of the afft.  
& death of Capt Hook.

Your favor of course  
dated the 2<sup>d</sup> instant  
afft. of this affair on  
the 12<sup>th</sup> of May last  
it appears from your  
letter it was not  
medically examined  
as to his patient for the  
afft till the 31<sup>st</sup> of  
that month. I have to  
regret that we all  
but carry the passing