

I have therefore
to request that
you will request to
him that he should
submit you on the
occasion of his
next visit to the
Protectorate.

DESPATCH

EAST AFR. PROT.

C. O.
37784
Re 23 1/2

No. 37784

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(Subject)

Captain J. C. M. Caskill.

Mr. J. D. Stewart & Co. Ltd. has
no fault to find with him personally, but admits
that unusual owing to ignorance of police work, to
being in charge of police force. Cryptic description

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Physical

9/10 to 20/10 referring to
4946/5516*

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25/10

Responsible
C. M. M.

J. M. M. 10/10

The present affair is a matter of
to send him of the same in the receipt
of the letter of the 10/10. I think that the best
plan will be to announce to the public
of the day that the way the matter will
be dealt with is to be announced to the 10/10
has been set

10/10 - 20/10 - 20/10
copy reports on case
and send copies to
reference

No. Antiochus

See Capt. MacCallister's private letter to you, attached to this paper.

With regard to the complaint that the A^d Comm^{rs} "has expressed himself well satisfied with the police & the regulations which he has seen, but says that the credit for their efficiency is due to the Officer directly in charge of them, we have heard nothing of this.

It seems to me that the A^d Comm^{rs} is deep & very fair to Capt. MacCallister - & I would point out to him that the A^d Comm^{rs} makes full allowance for the difficulties with which he had to contend, & gives him due credit for his hard work - & say that we do not feel called upon to take any further action in the matter - & send a copy of the report to the P.O. who has asked for a complete report - & Capt. MacCallister among other duties.

Yours,
Please draft a semi-official letter for me to send to Capt. MacCallister.

Wm. H. ...
at once

Mountbatten 238
Nairobi East Africa
12th October 1905.

Dear Sir,

I have received a copy of
Mr. [Name] 's letter 20519 dealing
with my letter to you
about the Acting Commissioner whether
had any objection to my writing to
him with regard to certain points and
if not he had none I write this
to ask you to give your consideration
to certain points.

Mr. [Name] whilst not touching
any of the statements in my letter
objects to certain points the
points with which I have had
contact. I understand he has referred
himself both satisfied with the police
regulations which he has seen
and says he is in favour of them.

officer is due to the officer
in charge & not to me. I do not
believe the Commission could possibly
be aware of all the details
I should see for the Commission
my point of view. It amounts to
that there is no fault
to be placed, be it what it may
be recognized, I am held strictly
and not the officer directly
and where the officer is
official the fault is to be
the officer directly in charge
to me though I am equally
to the police of the whole
for example the police in the
Province which I am to
visited when I came and
depot for training recently,

had had no English instructors and
not little in the way of uniform, as
they learned them they are well
dressed with uniform accessories,
I obtained instruction in the
matter for a long time, also for
depot and directed the sergeant
to the house in which to train the
police. Just it is held that the
fault for the improved state of
police is entirely due to the
officer in charge. I can only add
that these are facts and not my
opinion.
The fault that appears to be found
to be is that it is stated that an
order is now required with a knowledge
of police methods and that
the order is insufficient of that
nature. I would respectfully
submit that when I have reported

it was known that I was
a Civil Police Officer & that
at the time there were few
settlers in the County and
Civil Police work was much less
now.

I would submit that I have
my bag without in the face of
difficulties and that the Dep
is in a much improved state
appearing to what it was 3
ago.

I was appointed for a period
3 years and this appointment
taken away without my having
time or being given an opportunity
of making any statement
though an Officer with long
experience in Civil Police work
be now required I think that

not prevent my bringing forward a letter
expressing approval of my work, which
has now includes the work of the Victoria
Military Police, administering the Department
& the staffing & general supervision of
over 1800 men besides the actual Civil
Police work of the Townships. 240

I would ask you to kindly consider
all the facts and that you will be pleased
before me the letter I ask for as if you
are not satisfied that you will be
pleased to make further enquiries.

My only apology for writing this
letter must be that I am anxious
for all the facts to be known connected
with the work of the Police for the
last 3 years.

I am
Yours faithfully
J. C. H. McCallum Capt

R. L. O'Connell

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Commissioner

Mombasa

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September 27th 1906.

EAST AFRICAN PROTECTORATE

No. 614

With reference to your confidential despatch of July 20th regarding the circumstances in which it has been decided not to retain the services of Captain J. G. W. McSkell as Inspector General of Police in this Protectorate, I have the honour to inform you that neither Sir D. Stewart nor myself had any fault to find with that officer personally, beyond considering him unequal to being in charge of so large a Department, controlling a force which is daily emerging from semi-military to civil.

It is true that Captain McSkell had to work under difficult circumstances. On his arrival in the Protectorate the Police Department wanted thoroughly reorganizing and

Captain

Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

LONDON.

McCaskill had to do all the work of a Quartermaster, including the clothing and equipping of the whole force. The staff was undermanned and the native material was bad. Captain McCaskill worked hard and I am sure did his utmost, but the result has not been as satisfactory as had been expected.

304 This, as Sir D. Stewart informed you in his despatch No. 121 of April 2nd, may be ascribed solely to the fact that Captain

McCaskill does not possess a sufficient knowledge of police work and in consequence is unable to instruct his juniors.

An officer with a knowledge of Civil Police methods is now required owing to the advent of a considerable number of white settlers.

I have forwarded a copy of this despatch to Captain McCaskill.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

J. J. Gallen

Acting Commissioner

General A.A.P.

Introductory signature.

DRAFT.

CAPTAIN J. G. H. McCASSELL.

Downing Street,

8 February, 1906.

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MINUTE.

Mr. Pottenley 3/11.

Mr. Read 4 W.D.S.

Mr. Andrews 20/11.

Mr. Cox.

Mr. Lucas.

Mr. Graham.

Mr. H. Osmund
The Duke of Marlborough
Earl of Albemarle
Mr. Lytton

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 15th of October, in which, with the Acting Commissioner's approval, you wrote to me on the subject of his despatch to the Secretary of State No. 519 of the 27th of September.

consideration

I am sorry for the delay which has occurred, but Jackson's despatch seems to me to be very fair to you. He makes full allowance for the difficulties with which you had to contend, and gives you due credit for the hard work which you did. I fear, therefore, that I could not in any case have

I do not think that I could have had anything which was not official in discussion around it

of 37784 to
L.F.

Recommenced

recommended to the Secretary of State that
any further action should be taken in the
matter.

Yours faithfully

(Signed) R. L. ANTROBUS.