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Mr. Lintner

(Minutes)

Col. Siller left these papers with me.

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...the ... via ... also ... Mr. ... the ... East African Protectorate ... the terms of his letter ... of July 7th.

Mr. ... the ... return from safari was ... (September 7th) that the conditions under which the ... Protectorate had been made clear and that no departure from these conditions could be permitted.

Notwithstanding these repeated warnings the Beers brought over 100 head of cattle with them and were ordered to take them back. They engaged the services of ... and Harrison, who wrote on September 21st asking His Excellency to reconsider this decision. In the meantime proceedings had been instituted against them for a breach of the quarantine regulations and all of them were sentenced to a fine of ... or to three months' imprisonment. They were permitted to retain their cattle.

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Nairobi,
December 1st 1906.

The Acting Deputy Commissioner,
East Africa Protectorate,

Sir,

In accordance with your desire for a further report upon my recent tour of investigation I beg to state that on the 15th instant I took an easterly direction along the Kidderon Hills and sent two Masai round the Brock La Mutumbato. Found water very scarce there having been so this during the present year there was nothing to indicate that any parties had been in this vicinity. I then proceeded across country leaving Kidderon on the 17th instant and arriving at the Railway track 5 miles east of Mwachaka road Station on the morning of the 21st. When about 15 miles from Kim at a place known as Lalooche I came across the carcass of two Rhinoceros one large female and one calf, the skin of the larger one was intact but the horns had been cut off. Appearance led me to think they have been dead about two months. From intelligence gathered from the two Natives I intercepted on their way from Nairobi to German East Africa bearing messages from Boers I learned that a large number of the Boers from Arusha German East Africa were moving across the border into British territory but the German Police turned them back on account of their not having paid export duty on their stock and other effects, I visited the farm of Messrs. Prinsloo and Engelbrecht at Kapiti Hills also the Ostrich Farm of Messrs. Hill and Percival I found every Boer dwelling crowded with women and children and game meat hanging in large quantities round the houses of the 5 Boer houses I visited. I do not think they had more than 2 acres under cultivation they appear to be

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doing nothing but hunting and slaughtering game far in excess of their natural wants.

The reason I called at the Boers' farms was to ascertain if they had any large herds of cattle but found they had but very few head around their farms. My reason for following the Railway was to see if any waggons or stock had recently crossed the line.

Crossing the country from the German border to the Rail I found the water very bad and blackish almost pure salt. I should have gone further East but being laid on my back with a very bad attack of fever I was obliged to return sooner than I should otherwise have done.

All along the route taken I found game in large numbers particularly Rhino, Giraffe, Lions, Grant's Gazelles, Thompson's Gazelles, Hogs, Kungonis, Ibexes, Ostriches, Bourbidge and Guinea fowl these are all in the game Reserve.

I also found several carcasses of Giraffe but there was nothing left of them but their bones, also heads of Kudu and Kungoni the latter were on the old camping grounds on the road that the Boers came on from German East Africa to Nairobi some of the latter had not been killed more than 10 or 12 days but the Giraffe seemed to have been laying there for 6 or several months. I tracked one light waggon track for 3 days but it went across the German border it could not have made more than 10 days before, I think it must have been the people that were trying to sell their cattle through young Kipoi in Nairobi.

I have etc.,

Sd/- C.J. Ross, Major D.S.O.