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Office of Indivision

(Subject.)

Whitcomb B. Lane

1907

Salary &c

29th Oct

Last previous Paper.

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Is dissatisfied with decision for reasons given. Requests voucher. Withdraws all claims.

W. Reed.

(Minder.)

As regards the pay for work at home, there was nothing in 50509 to show that Com^r Whitcomb considered the rate insufficient, and it is a pity that he has turned our attention that he had no reason to fear trouble about his several pension suits - fresh affront. As we allowed him to do more than we knew to be available we it is very certain that he intended no affront.

As regards his coming home in 1905, I don't think the circumstances were just, but it is somewhat probable that he was very anxious to have a foreign order to my residence (an address for the papers) or to see offered in order to get for home (I think a benefit) (as we were told).

Regarding the rest of the matter, you will find that he was very anxious to...

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alternat... working directly under
Court... report that sufficient
work had been done... hardy conduct
with the... of... letter in which
he says that he had done all the
that he... to do... feel...
not to... the... of...
he had finished... leaving
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at once
H. J. R.
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REGISTERED Extraneous
MEMORANDUM

...and ...
I have my reply ... would ...
... public ... never ...
that my party should be treated as it was.

I make that statement knowing the
country very well, and with an intimate
knowledge of what was going on, and I repeat
there never was the slightest real necessity
for the treatment I received, either on the words
of the public the workings of the railway, or any
of the Government departments.

I am sincerely yours,
thru shortly.

Yours sincerely
R. B. Hutchinson

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Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 23 June 1906, referred to in para 2, and a most severe appraisal thereof. No opportunity was given me for meeting the statements that caused it.

I therefore had to return to Africa carrying a great undisturbed conscience. While at the same time called on to furnish a huge survey over all extent of that of Ireland, for less than £1500. Thinking that I was without the interest or approval of the Colonial Office in my work, I resigned, giving very ample notice and the safety of my & myself being assured. Under the circumstances no other course was left to me.

Had I thought otherwise I should have stated my inability to continue work under the railway management & would have been prepared to leave at once, or continue working directly under the Commission if so required. I could report that sufficient work had been done.

There is no one competent to replace me in the task except myself. I have always pointed out & also pointed the necessity for a... The original para 3 I myself drew the attention the Colonial Office to my agreement which absolutely had not been referred to.

I regret that I am unable to agree with the decision in para 4 in the conditions mentioned. I was forced away from my work at... the railway management, quite against my own wishes.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours faithfully,
[Signature]

and only left in agreement with him that I should consult the medical officer at Enghien about my eyes (I was otherwise quite well again) I acted by his advice. The manager broke this agreement by writing to the medical officer before I could reach home asking him to state whether I should go to Kew or Enghien. Thus debarring the question of his medical advice. — My eye had been contused several times at Kew & was practically well when I got to Port Land, it then proving that it only wanted to be let alone. I had no cataract, nor was any special treatment required or given me.

I consider my blindness there was caused by the way in which I had to work to suit the managers' convenience.

I had very little sickness between 1903 & 1905, and none since.

The ship home was very oppressive, forcing to the east of my eye at Durango, forcing very during my absence. I lost about £100 worth of private instruments & tools through their exposure to the rainy season —

As regards my admitting after return home had benefited my health — a ship home would of course benefit anyone, well or ill, but had I been for 20 months in the Pyrenees as I had, still I am not so well as I was before health & in better station are entitled to full pay leave after that period (see agreement).

I take a sensible stand. I think in your own mind you know how the absence of my pay & the loss of my tools would have been a great deal at all. I think, I do not stand, stand what is stated to be my full salary, should have been received by me shortly.

I beg to assure the pay receipt accurate, and
in accordance with practice observed in the Colonial
Office, since the house of Lords has not
expressly stated that I have complied with
the orders in these letters of 28 June 1905 — as
far as my estimate ever intended in full
compliance with my original instructions from
the Foreign Office — without the excess £500
referred to * this excess amount having been
asked for by the manager of the railway, &
not by me.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

J. B. Whittemore.

Commander R.F.

Cash balance of £163 and stores returned will
be equal to £500 note also supplied of £300
from bank money.

Buenos Aires

Argentina

29 October 1907

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11 December

Sir,

DRAFT.

I am directed by

Commander Whitehouse
RW

Earl of Ely's bank:

recd. of your letter,
the 29th of October,

inclosing the order sent
to you by the C.A. for

Colt's in respect of the
pay due to you for your

work in this country

in connection with your
survey of Lake Victoria

MINUTE.

- Mr. Northcote 9/12
- Mr. Lead
- Mr. J. J. [unclear]
- Mr. Astor
- Mr. Galt
- Mr. Lucas
- Sir F. Hopwood
- Mr. Churchill
- The Earl of Ely

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December 1907

Cross Keys

Gentlemen

With respect to
 letter for the 24th of
 the 17th of June last,
 I am directed by the
 Earl of Selkirk to transmit
 to you the enclosed order
 which has been
 which you sent to
 Com. B. Gibbons,
 R.N., in respect of the
 pay due to him for work
 done in this country in
 connection with his
 survey of the Victoria
 2. The order has recently
 been returned by
 Com. B. Gibbons,
 and for the present the
 question of any beyond
 to him in respect of the
 work and means a
 reference

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Wm. G. H. R.



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Vander
(in resp. with order)

5th Nov 07