

EAST AFR PROT.

No. 41288

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20 May 1905

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No.

action 573

(Subject)

1905

Oct 19

Last previous Paper.

Land Applications
 Half year ending June 30 1905

I do list of cases dealt with in land office
 (a) Concessions granted - by application pending settlement
 (c) applications cancelled or undeveloped

(Minutes.)

Mr. Read

The first thing to notice on
 these returns is the very small
 number of land Concessions
 actually granted - only 13 in
 all - some of which are for
 small areas.

There are however some very
 large ones - e.g.

(a) The 6000 acres granted to the
 G. A. Syndicate - the history
 of which is well known to us
 and does not call for further
 comment.

(b) The grant 64,000 acres of land
 to Mr. John Longman.

Grogan. We are aware of
this grant but don't find
that we have actual copies of the
deeds or should ask for them.

(c) The grant to F. A. & Pape
= Abo American Co. of 2 blocks
of 100 x 50 sq. miles for
Fibre collection. All we have
heard of this is a base on him.
See D. Stewart's des'f of 13 Feb
(No 138 in F.O. Print Part 82)
without any indication of area
or terms
as his authority for the grant
is quoted F.O. des'f of 21 Sept 1903
(p. 184 in F.O. print Part 44)

This however does not cover the case
because (a) it only referred to Rubber
leaves & this is a fiber lease
(b) It only authorized leases of
"restained areas" which can
only mean a lease of 150 sq
miles

While it is true that the Crown
lands office does not record
the form of the license to grant
leases

(at the time
written on 19th
April 1903
suggested
that those
timbers
be sold for

4. The rule of the 15th July 1903
limiting the area of land
to 16,000 acres only applies to
grazing land, it is clearly,
therefore, wrong that such large
grants shall be made to the same
officer even though we are
demanding such lots or areas
from persons who apply
for concessions under kind
of Messrs. Longdon &
Grogan said application to
the first leases, they had
no doubt been made to
despot large areas with the
objection before they were given
the concession instead of as
now, making it a basis for far
better grants.

"What is done in this matter can
not be undone: but among
the concessions pending there
quite a number ranging from
100 sq. miles downwards, some
of them by people who already
have concessions like Grogan

property sometimes more than
one by the same person a group,
such as Despachet & Marshall
P. Apurano, whom we know to
be little better than men of
straw.

The general question of
the grant of leases of large
areas is being considered in
cooperation with the F.O.
and upon the Lord Com-
missioner's report as has been
considered we shall have more
to say on the subject.

But in the meantime I
think we should telegraph
telling the Comr. not to grant
any lease before he sees, hand of any
out to any person which would
make his total holding
under the Crown, including
land held, exceed 10,000 acres.

M.W. 24th

See off No. 25 25/11
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Mombasa,

October 19th 1905.



EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 573

Sir,

I give the honour to transmit to you herewith a complete statement of all land applications in the East Africa Protectorate which have been received or dealt with in the Land Office during the half year ending June 30th, 1905.

2. This statement is divided as follows:-

"A" sets out all statements which were granted or registered during the time specified;

"B" sets out all applications which were pending settlement on June 30th last; and

Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

LONDON.

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"C" includes all applications which have been
cancelled or withdrawn during the half year.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble servant,

Acting Commissioner.

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cancelled or withdrawn during the half year.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

Acting Commissioner.

On September 20, 1906

Mrs. F. J. WILSON

No. 275

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Mr. Cox.

Mr. Lucas.

Mr. Graham.

Sir M. Ommanney.

The Duke of Marlborough.

Mr. Lyttelton.

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