

Your despatch No 645 of the

15th of Nov.



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(Signed) OREWE

Governor, No  
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*L. Magadi scheme  
Purchase of land at Kilindini*

*Propose to purchase 70 acres at end of African  
to debit amount to Railway Capital Account*

*To Gen Secy 9 Dec 1909*

Mr. Fidgea.

In the third paragraph of our despatch of the 8th of October on C.O. 30686 we asked the Governor to inform us if any favourable opportunity occurred of purchasing land of the Government of Kilindini, observing that, as the Protectorate develops, land round the harbour will probably become extremely valuable, and that it is not likely that any better opportunity will present itself later of buying land which might eventually be required for important harbour works. A chance appears to have presented itself already, and I think we must rely on the Governor's judgment as to the desirability of taking it.

It appears from page 30 of the annexed Administration Report of the Railway for 1908-9, that the Railway Capital Account shewed a cash balance of £7,051 on the

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the 31st of March last. We do not know to what extent the Government is committed to expenditure against this balance, but I gather from this telegram that Sir Percy Girouard can find £4,000 out of it for this purchase.

Send to Treasury a copy of our despatch on 30000 and a copy of this telegram, observe as above as to the Cash balance of the Railway Capital Account, and say that the Secretary of State proposes, with their sanction, to inform the Governor that he approves of the purchase of the land.

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*We must be careful of the value of the land in the hands of the Government. It is not clear from the telegram that the Government will pay an amount in hand or provide*

Col Seely  
Lord Curzon

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*I agree with you on the face of it.*

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Telegram from The Governor of the East Africa Protectorate to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

(Received Colonial Office 4.40 p.m. 19th November 1909)

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November 1909. With reference to the despatch dated the 21st October 1909 of land in the possession of the Government of the development of Kilimanjaro. It is proposed to purchase this immediately for a sum of £1000 and to develop the same for a period of 25 years. The land will shortly reach a very high price.

GIROUA

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at Kilead...  
of his Lordship's  
despatch of 18th  
of Oct. to which  
reference is made in  
the telegram, is also  
enclosed. It will be  
seen that a proposal  
is made in connection  
with probable future  
requirements in the  
form of better work  
as intended.  
I appear for  
the Administration  
Reports of the Uganda  
Railway for the year  
1908-9 that the

Railway Capital  
Account showed a  
cash balance 33 1/2  
£7050. 19. 6 on the  
31st of March last.  
Lord Curzon is not  
aware of what extent  
the balance is wanted  
for expenditure against  
this balance, but he  
understands from  
the Governor's telegram  
that the sum of £4000  
can be found from  
it for the purpose of  
the proposed purchase.  
His Lordship therefore  
proposes, with the  
consent and  
approval of the Lords