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Mr. F. M. W. Williams
Esq

Sir,

MINUTE.

- Mr. Butler March 10
- Mr. Read 10
- Mr. Just.
- Mr. Antrobus. *R. J. S.*
- Mr. Coz.
- Sir C. Lucas.
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Col. Seely.
- The Earl of Crom.

I am directed
by the Earl of Crom
to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the
9th instant relating
to your son's death
at Mabarasa.

a. Lord Crom agrees
exceedingly to believe
that you feel that you
should

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[Signature]

have not been treated
with due consideration
by ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~who~~ ^{who} ~~were~~
officers of the Protectorate
Capt. ~~whom~~ you
would have expected to
inform you of the fact
that your son was ill,
and of the progress of
his illness. His Lordship
is not at present in
possession of any inform-
ation except that which
has been communicated
to you; but he will
enquire of the Capt. of ~~the~~
the ~~the~~ why it was
not considered necessary
to send any intimation
of your son's illness

and why nothing
is said of the
arrangements to be
made

earlier than the telegrams
of the 27th inst. ~~the~~
which was ~~the~~ ^{he} ~~was~~
dangerously ill with
fever in Wombourne hospital.
His Lordship ~~has~~
from the report com-
municated to you
in the letter from His
Office of the 8th inst.
that your son was taken
to hospital on the 27th
of Decr, that the first
diagnosis of his illness
was malaria, and that
the diagnosis of enteric
complicating malaria
was not do ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~l~~ ^l ~~4~~
established until the
16th of Jan 5 74 after

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MINUTE.

- Mr
- Mr
- Mr. Just
- Mr. Antrobus.
- Mr. Cox.
- Sir C. Lucas.
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Col. Seely.
- The Earl of ...

than he had been of
the 30th of Jan^y already
referred to and he
5th of Jan^y which
appears he got sent
to you direct on the
31st of Jan^y, ~~reporting~~
~~your son's death.~~

You will see that the
report already sent
to you was written
on the day after your
son died by the Medical
officer in charge of the
hospital, who states
that he, among others,
... your son
...
... Lord's Grace report

that he has no
information as to
the water supply at
Rabat Station but he
will ^{inquire into the} ~~ask the Dept for~~
~~matter. He~~
~~a report on the subject.~~

His Lordship deprecates
the heavy toll which
service in the Colonies
and Protectorates of
tropical Africa ~~is~~
~~presently~~

levies on the lives
and health
of the officers engaged
in their administration,
and it is his ~~strong~~
~~desire~~ ^{to secure} that all that is
possible should be done

to diminish the ~~incon-~~
~~venience~~ incidental ~~to~~
~~service~~

11 X such service the
~~to be~~ ~~made~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~
understand that it is
not possible in the present
stage of development
of the ^{public} ~~public~~ dependencies
to arrange for water
supply and drainage
on a ~~scale~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~line~~
approach to modern
medical science ^{except as} at any
but ~~the~~ ~~most~~ ~~important~~
of the largest towns,
and that officers whose
duties take them away
^{are important} from the ~~large~~ ~~stations~~
are compelled in present
circumstances to
face disadvantages and
dangers ^{of} ~~of~~ ~~any~~ ~~kind~~

In the particular matter
of water supply, his
conduct understands
that a filter is included
in the furniture supplied
with the free parties
near by the post

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5. In each case, his
conduct ^{He} desires me
again to express to you
his sympathy with you
in the loss which you
have sustained, and
his hope that when the
further information furnished
by the ~~authorities~~
officials immediately in-
volved will be received,
it will be possible for you to modify
your opinion that they
have failed in consideration
towards you. I am