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Governor
Frederick 360

1910

14th June

at previous Paper.
Yes
19295

SURVEY DEPARTMENT

Submits observations with regard to the work of the Dept. Agrees with the Report already submitted. Desires to place on record his appreciation of Major Smith's work.

The Read.

I hope this for the return of 19295, which has been used for the Annual Report of the Survey Committee. There are not many points requiring notice.

(1) The Annual Report suggested that some economy might be effected by reducing the scale of the topographical work. This is at present 62,500 in the crowded part round about 15,000 elsewhere. This is not recommended with the for view that after the area available for European settlement is completed, the work should be carried on on a regular basis, both side by side with a compilation map (250000) for which route sketches prepared by Administration & other officials will be used.

I do not think it is necessary to suggest 250,000 for the European settlement & other crowded areas.

(2) As regards the compilation work, I understand the for is meant that the Survey Dept. will

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subsequent Paper.

responsible that the work of the Intelligence
Office will be confined to supplying material.
It is proposed to assign the I.O. any
other work, or in Southern Nigeria,
where there is no other body to do the work.

(3) In 19295 (page 2) Mr. Major Smith refers to
the question of local rep. reproduction. The
news which was sent in 1928/29 was
prepared in view of a proposal of the kind, but at
the last meeting of the Committee of 1929 was agreed to
leave the matter alone until a definite proposal
was made. The reference to the question in 19295
is very indefinite & contains no recommendation.
I do not see the point that was called upon
to be raised. We can leave the new Director
of course to report the matter if he sees
fit.

(4) On the other hand, on p. 19 of 19295 there
is a definite recommendation that
additional drafts should be appointed. We
should draw the attention of the Gov. to this &
ask him to make provision in the Estimates
if so advised?

(5) Last para of the despatch. I do not know
whether any thought has been put to the W.O. on
Major Smith's proposal. I think we
could not tell him so without some explanation
of his work in the I.A.S. The period of that work
has practically coincided with that of the
C.O. administration of the Protectorate. It
is not clear from the terms of his appointment
whether the work was in any way connected
with the colonial surveys for which
he had been appointed. It is stated of course

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and appear ^{Major} ~~Mr.~~ Smith was selected to 522
to take over the work for the reorganization of
the work and was appointed to carry out the
recommendation in the work plan which
financial considerations made necessary. He leaves
the Department a good deal with a careful
record of work done & a sound opinion for the
future.

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Mr. Fiddley

1 April

We should certainly express to
the W.O. our appreciation of the
services rendered by Major Smith.

H.J.R.

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Mr. Bottomley

VERNMENT HOUSE,

Nairobi,

June 11th 1910.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE,

No. 360.

My Lord,

for
19295

With reference to my despatch No. 342 of the 4th instant I have the honour to furnish Your Lordship with some observations with regard to the work of the Survey Department in this Protectorate outlining my future requirements in this respect.

2. Triangulation similar in accuracy to that which has already been done should cover such areas of the country as are likely to be settled by white settlers, or to be developed by planters on the Coast.

The work immediately in sight in the regions of Likipiak and Uasin Gishu will take some two years to complete and a further twelve months will be required to finish the necessary surveys on the

coast

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE,

THE EARL OF CREWE, K.G.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

coast southwards from Mombasa. It is probable that further developments may involve two years more triangulation; but I contemplate an eventual reduction.

3. Accurate Topography is required over the white settlement areas. The work at present in sight is likely to take at least as long as the triangulation contemplated.

It is important that such work should progress by sheets.

4. In view of the fact that a good deal of information regarding routes, and rough mapping done by Administrative officers and others is expected to come in from time to time, the Survey Department must continually revise and compile such information. I have approved for the present of the employment of one of the surveyors of the Cadastral Branch on this work and I have directed that it should be carried out in concert with the Military Intelligence Officer.

The scale which has been selected for this class of compilation is 1:250,000 that is to say the scale of the series of maps of the Intelligence Division of the War Office.

These sheets are designed for general use and to form Provincial maps with farm boundaries.

When the Trigonometrical and Topographical programme foreshadowed is completed, it will be necessary to consider our further requirements.

By reducing the accuracy of the Trigonometrical frame work and by adopting Reconnaissance methods of cartography it is thought that extended areas may be mapped quickly, with accuracy sufficient for administrative and other purposes outside of the areas devoted to white settlement. This will require more detailed examination some years hence.

6. Last mail I forwarded the annual report of the Director of Surveys, but owing to Your Lordship's Circular of March 1908 time was not available for comments thereon. The report meets with my concurrence and will I hope satisfy Your Lordship of the continued good work of the Department. The annual report rendered will be the last to be furnished during

his

his present period of employment by Major G. F. Smith, M. B.,
the Director of Surveys, and I would like to place on
record my appreciation of the admirable services
rendered by him to this Government during his tenure
of his appointment.

I have the honour to be,
Your Lordship's humble,
obedient servant,

GOVERNOR.

for EAP
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October 1910

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Sir,

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With refer to your letter of the
30th of August 1909 (no 2165/20254) I

DRAFT.

The Secretary
War Office

MINUTE.

- Mr. B. ... 31/10
- Mr. ... 1NW
- Mr. Piddon
- Mr. Just
- Mr. Cox
- Sir G. Lucas
- Sir F. Hopwood
- Col. Seely
- Lord Crewe

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am delighted by the E.C.C. (now to report) inform you that the Army Council that the Governor of the E.A.P. has reported the grant of three months' leave from the 29th of September to Major G. Smith, C.O.C., etc., on the expiration of his appointment as Director of Airways to the Protectorate.

2. The Governor has placed on record his appreciation of the admirable services rendered by Major Smith to the Govt. of the ... his effort, and Lord Crewe has great pleasure in ... this appreciation, with which he desires to associate himself, the action of the Army Council

(belonged to the ...)

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