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The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents
his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies
and, by direction of the Secretary of State, transmits herewith
copy of the under-mentioned paper ~~relating to~~

Foreign Office,

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November 21st, 1905.

My Lord:-

In continuation of my despatch No. 145 of the 10th instant relative to the rising in German East Africa I have the honour to transmit to Your Lordship herewith, a translation of the latest reports on the subject which have appeared in the columns of the German newspaper published at Darressalaan.

The station at Kilossa appears to have been attacked by the insurgents on the 8th instant, and a fear is expressed that disturbances may shortly break out in the Tabora district.

I have &c.,

(Signed) Basil S. Cave.

The Marquess of Lansdowne, K.G.,

&c., &c., &c.

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Translation.

Deutsch-Ost afrika Zeitung.

November 11th.

News from the unsettled District.

Government official news.

No. 6.

Lieutenant Spiegel, belonging to Captain Seyfried's detachment, Lindi District, has returned to Lindi with his troops after an important patrol up the valley of the Mbekuru to the Ilulu plateau. In unfavourable country he had many encounters with a ferocious and persistent enemy. Near Wam Wiranye the camp was attacked and fired on by night. Near Mirupi on the southern bank of the Mbekuru (South of Mount Adinja) the fight resulted in a hand-to-hand encounter in which Hospital Assistant Sergeant Ludzweit sustained a severe bite. All the counters were successful. The enemy suffered heavy losses. On our side besides the Hospital Assistant Sergeant Ludzweit, Craft Instructor Körner was slightly wounded. A certain number of askaris, porters and auxiliaries in addition to the Europeans mentioned above were

wounded

wounded.

November 7th.

The Railway survey under Engineer-in-Chief Mav-rordato has reached Masindschi, where its 2nd halting place is established.

Major Johannes has established his 3rd halting-station on the Mpengere on the north Kilwa-Liwale road, and garrisoned it with a body of askaris under Sergeant Standau. On the march from Missindji to Mpengere the detachment was daily harried by small bands of insurgents. One askari was killed.

Evidently with an idea of checking the forward march of the troops the insurgents have removed all food-stuffs.

November 8th.

1st Lieutenant Grawert has completely cleared the country to the North West of his camp at Kibatta in the Matumbi Mounts. The insurgents who had established several large camps, regularly take to flight on the approach of the troops. They have, however, suffered heavy losses. A certain number of

prisoners

prisoners were brought in. According to the accounts of the latter the noted rebel leader Abdallah Kitambi from Mtumbi, is now counselling surrender.

According to a report from the District Officer at Morogoro, Kilosa was attacked by the rebels early on November 8th. Nothing more is known on account of the interruption of the telegraph line.

November 9th.

According to news from the Kilosa District Office, the Jumbes of Samanga, Miteja and Kisuani are commanding to surrender. Their people are resuming cultivation.

An extraordinary police force has set out from Kilosa in order to re-establish order in the Matumbi Mounds, and to restore telegraphic communication with Kiswero Bay.

Private News Reports.

November 7th. We are in a position to communicate to our readers the following news respecting the reports which for some time have been current in Darassalam respecting the outbreak of disturbances in the Tabora district.

We have received the following private intelligence. Private telegram. All is up to the present quiet at and round Tabora, nothing is known in the whole district of any outbreak of disturbances. However a short time ago a message arrived from the natives that out of respect for the Mahomedan natives the beginning of the insurrection would be postponed until the end of Ramadhan, the month of fasting.

Therefore warlike events are to be expected at the end of November (Ramadhan ends the evening of November 28th) in the district of Tabora, if the native message is no fable, or if the authorities are unable to nip the insurrectionary movement in the bud.

November 8th. 9 a.m.

This morning, just before daybreak, the station of Kilossa was attacked by a large mass of natives. The attack was repulsed by the small, but well prepared, garrison after a severe fight. The enemy withdrew after heavy losses. It has as yet been im-

possible

Impossible to determine how far it has withdrawn.

Telegraphic communication is interrupted between Morogoro and Kilossa. Bezirksratmann Lambrecht is at present at Kilossa and consequently directed the defence of the station.

Having received a telegram to-day we can add the following particulars to the above announcements. The number of the rebels who attacked Kilossa on the morning of November 8th amounted to several thousand. Many were armed with muzzle-loaders. The natives of Kilossa had been warned and had taken refuge in the Boma in good time with the exception of five, who were murdered by the insurgents. On account of the small number of its garrison the station could not prevent the insurgents driving away about 100 head of cattle from the neighbourhood of the Boma, no machine-gun being at the disposal of our men. Soon after the repulse of their attack the insurgents must have got about destroying the telegraph line from Kilossa to Morogoro, since telegraphic communication between the two places was interrupted

interrupted from 9 a.m. and has only been restored to-day.

Early yesterday morning Bezirksamtman Lambrecht undertook a reconnaissance to locate what remained of the insurgents and eventually to attack them in their camp, but they already left it.