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Officers - Address for relatives

7 July

at previous Paper.

minutes & dft. to form requesting that officers be noted when proceeding, in order to furnish Co with an address to which commai intended for relatives may be sent during their absence from England

to Mr. Parkinson

to have had occasionally some difficulty in communicating promptly to an officers relatives the names names or death of an officer in the Prot. owing to our not having an up-to-date address of the relatives of the officers compared to cases of kinmonth Drake & Cabell. (H. here with) In cases of officers apptd by Co such addresses were given on appt., & some of these have no doubt become obsolete - while in the cases of officers apptd in 70. days we have no addresses at all.

At your request I submit dft. to you with a view to this Dept. being kept furnished with up-to-date addresses to which commai may be sent in cases of emergency.

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Mr Read.

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Downing Street,

30th June, 1909.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that my attention has been called to the question of the arrangements which should be made to ensure that, when an officer serving in a Crown Colony or Protectorate is seriously ill, and the illness is likely to prove fatal, an early intimation of his condition should be conveyed to his relatives in this country.

2. There is doubtless a general understanding more definite in some Colonies than in others, that the death of an official appointed from this country shall be notified by telegraph, and in some Colonies the notification is followed by a medical report, accompanied where necessary by a report of a more general nature designed for communication to the relatives. But it is possible under these arrangements for relatives to receive the announcement of death without any prior intimation of the serious condition of the officer, even when it had for some days been apparent that there was little chance of his recovery; and this has occasionally afforded ground for complaint.

3. It is hardly practicable to lay down any precise rule as to sending warnings to relatives in advance of an officer's death, but I would suggest that, whenever a member of the Colonial Service, whose nearest relatives reside in

Officer Administering

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