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DESPATCH.

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(Subject.)

Kilindini Harbour

Refers to dep. 205 4 May as to scheme for improved landing facilities. Considers that Railway could not do the work at a lower rate than at present charged - Inadvisable at present to acquire lighters.

(Minutes.)

Mr. Astbury

Ack: say that, in view of what is stated in this dep., the proposal may be dropped - & send copy of dep. to Mr. G. W. C. for their info - & that of the C.S.?

A. J. R.

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To proceed: and let the Govt have copies of our letter to C.A. of 3 Dec. 1907 with its enclosures (nos 44442) and of 3101 and 8363, which should have been sent to him at the time.

(A. J. R.)
Lord Clegg11th June 17
Yes, I think this is the

best course & tell at the
moment - Mr. Churchill
would take the opposite view -
The former should be told to
keep an eye on the working
of the present system -

J.W.
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Governor's Office,

20 JUN 08

Nairobi,

May 28th 1908.

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AFRICA PROTECTORATE,

No. 258

My Lord,

In reply to Your Lordship's despatch No. 211 of

April 20th, I have the honour to invite Your Lordship's
attention to my despatch No. 265 of May 4th which
contains the report called for on the progress of the
scheme for improved landing facilities at Kilindini.

2. As regards the second paragraph of Your Lordship's
despatch under reply, the Manager of the Uganda Railway
is of opinion that taking into account the interest on
the cost of lighters, the Railway could not do the work
at less than is charged at present viz: Rs.3/- a ton.

3. If trade increased so that the plant and staff
were continually occupied, it might be possible to do
the work more cheaply, but under present conditions I
agree with Mr. Currie in thinking that it would not be

advisable

Principal Secretary of State

To the Colonies,

Downing Street,

London, S.W.

advisable to incur the expense of purchasing lighters.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

W. G. Wheler