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## MATTERS OF MOMENT.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales goes again in focussing public attention upon assemblies

CONFERENCE OF LORDS, COUNCIL AND MAYORS

AVIATION ON TUESDAY LAST WEEK AT THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

TO-MORROW AN ASSEMBLY OF AVIATIONISTS

IN A FEW HOURS IN WHICH THE PRINCE IS TO HEAR AND OVERVIEW AVIATIONISTS IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD

SOON FOLLOWED BY AN ASSEMBLY OF THE REGULAR AIR SERVICES

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE

AMERICAN AIRPORTS ASSOCIATION

DRAWS CONCLUDING STATEMENT

MONDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 27, 1933

IN TERMS OF TODAY'S AVIATION

IN TERMS OF YESTERDAY'S AVIATION

IN TERMS OF TOMORROW'S AVIATION

IN TERMS OF THIS AFTERNOON'S AVIATION

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AT EAST AFRICA'S KITCHEN IN LONDON

IN WHICH A FULL REPORT APPEARS IN THESE VINES

SIR JOHN MAFFEY MADE A GREAT TRIBUTE

TO THE PIONEER SETTLERS OF KARIBU

WHOM HE SAID: "There has been

nothing like it since Elizabethan

times in making a wonderful effort to spread

for British people across the seas. Their

own patriotic enterprise, pluck and dash,

is a great thing, and heartening to know

the new Permanent Under Secretary of State

for Colonies is from the outset so sympathetic

to the great body of settlers, and appreciates so highly

what they have played, are now playing, and will

in the future of East Africa.

SIR JOHN MAFFEY HAS DROPPED THE EXAMPLE OF HIS PRE

SENCE, AND IN THE COURSE OF THE TERRITORIES

OF THE SOUTHERN COLONIES

SIR JOHN CUNLIFFE'S SISTER, THE PRESENT

SECRETARY, NOT ONLY TO TOUR THEM HIMSELF, BUT

TO FOLLOW THE WISE TRADITION ESTABLISHED SINCE THE

TIME OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

OF PREPARING ANY SUCH INTENTION,

AS WAS SO RECENTLY UNDERTAKEN BY THE GERMAN COLONIAL

MINISTER, AS HE HELD ON THURSDAY NIGHT IN BERLIN

AN ADDRESS IN CHALL, AND, OF COURSE, THE USUAL ORATOR

AND WORKS SO DISPLAYED. ONE OF THE OTHERS

NOTABLES IN GERMANY TO-DAY IS THAT ENGLAND

and France had been induced to do what was made Germany to release the colonies of Tanganyika, the German price being the restoration of her former extensive territories, and that a species of justification for their German Colonies may be found in the argument that Germany would naturally return to the same areas on the basis of full equality with other members, and that the quality "naturally" includes the exercise of Colonial Mandates. The following is a portion of this well-burst-of-mindness speech given by Sir Philip Stanhope to the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"Without delay we will attention to 'Modern industry and the African' (Macmillan, £2 6d.)

#### MODERN INDUSTRY AND THE AFRICAN

which we shall review in early issue of the *Merle*. This Commission's inquiries into the case of mining development upon Native society in Central Africa, though necessarily localised, and its investigations, offers conclusions and recommendations for wider application. These conclusions have a bearing on all East African developments in so far as their scope throughout the land and shade lies ahead; as missionaries are fitting themselves more thoroughly for their great work, enabling them to get a true perspective and so rise to their great occasion; and to mining, peasantries and other employees of labour, who should them undoubtedly work to ensure the welfare of the State. So far as the sportsman may be concerned, the standard for future Commissions is set, and the heart and character of the new era of African criminology. We shall return to these subjects, but as pressure on one space will not allow a full review in this issue, we shall content ourselves with a few words of East African subjects of importance.

On the question of the introduction of the metric system, we have already dealt with the issue of "cupro-nickel pennies" in our article on the formation of the Rhodesia and Nyasaland Federations. Rhodesia and Nyasaland, like territories will soon be following the precedent of having ordinary circular

**NEW COINS FOR RHODESIA AND NYASALAND.** - A coin of smaller value than the "tickey" or threepenny bit, which has undoubtedly been a contributory cause of the high cost of living. We congratulate those concerned on the step now taken, but we wonder why they did not go still further and introduce cents on the model of the other East African Dependencies. Everyone who has lived or travelled in them knows how this small coinage has assisted and facilitated Native trade, and everyone who crosses the border from Tanganyika into Northern Rhodesia or Nyasaland notes the disadvantage under which the "tickey" countries labour - a disadvantage which will be only partially removed by the ha'pence and ha'pence. Moreover, with the ever-tightening links between the great central block of States in the eastern part of the continent a greater similarity in coinage would seem to be the best means of the change was decided upon. This is to be investigated, then two good reasons for the decision now made, we should be interested to hear what they were. Mafuru, formerly high and successful in Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika, where there is a growing appreciation of the attractions of the metric for commercial calculations,

The fact that migration slave. It has so long been a subject between Sir Joseph Beale and the European elected members of Kenya but accredits the Governor, who in his recent address spoke for close and instant cooperation, it will be publicly

It is not infrequently happening in history that a man who has achieved something in the dark days has been shamed into entering the bright hours of the new dawn, so to change the metaphor, that the very people who had lost faith when the Starling was being rowed through the mucky waters, rallied to the Captain again when smooth water appeared. We see in the Governor's new speech for closer cooperation the mere because he has notised with the forthcoming visit of the Secretary of State to the Colonies, it would be a mutual benefit if the Bantu population of Tanganyika were to be the case. The Government and the Governor of Colony are anxious to establish a new relationship for ecological and communal co-operation in the colony, so new documents for the party, but nothing for the State.

*EAST AFRICA* is able to state that East African problems, particularly those arising from the Sisal Bill just passed by the Tanganian Legislative Council, were discussed a few days ago at a conference of the four Colonies.

The industry, as we have made clear in the Bill, is facing serious faults, and it is now apparent that the blame is shared by the local Government and of those persons who made the mistakes into which the draft Bill fell with regard to the Tanganyikan new Bill will come into force January 1, as the Bill provides, we are able to say that it will be on a federal basis, fully providing for the joint and the agreement between Government and the Sisal Associations. In Tanganika, which is so belatedly about to have made forward steps in this important matter, every criticism we have received of the Tanganian Sisal Bill has been endorsed by leading Sisal authorities in Uganda, Kenya, and Tanganika itself, and we trust that joint action will now be taken by the two neighbouring territories to implement the general plans already agreed upon by their respective Sisal Associations. These plans provide for a local agricultural research and fundamental research in the country into new uses for the fibres, the amount of taxes to be imposed in Tanganika will probably have to be raised at an early date in order to finance the programme provisionally arranged for research, in order to be productive must be reasonably fixed and maintained over a period of years. The principle of such investigatory work having once been accepted, it would be folly to attempt to do so, reducing its scale as seriously as would be the case in the present circumstances. The details of the Bill will naturally be considered by an interterritorial committee with a local committee also expected to be appointed in Tanganika to recommend to the Government of the particular territory. There can be no doubt that the first action to be carried in official and unofficial circles, but the great thing is that the co-operation will be so much trouble as after all, not so difficult.

ASIAN AFRICAN LUNCHON IN LONDON

SIR WALTER WILSON AND SIR JOHN SAYLER ENTERTAINED  
Sir and Baronet - & Peers - Ministers - Under-Secretaries.

The SAMUEL JONES was retired from the post of Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies. Lady Wilson, Sir John Maffey, and new Permanent Under-Secretaries, and Lady Maffey were the chief guests at the East African Group of the Over Seas League at luncheon at the Hotel Metropole on Wednesday last. At the long table were also Mr. Philip and Lady Cunliffe-Owen, the Rt. Hon. W. G. Ward and Sir Maurice Ormsby-Gore, the Earl of Plymouth, Sir St. George and Lady James, the Rt. Hon. J. S. Amery, Lady Coryndon, Mr. Eric Rice, Miss E. Leeson, and Mrs. Jordan, Chairman of the Group, who presided.

#### **THE ENDING**

"Proceeding to a deck room, he said, "I have some Guests," Mr. Johnson said.

Such permanent Commissions were  
met to honour ex-service men and  
Colonial Ministers come and go, the 'office' is  
brought up to date by the State Department. Under  
Secretary do not go on to the next post until  
successive Ministers. By this time the  
responsible post of  
a Colonist has been  
achieved service in the Colonies.  
The Colonies know that they have  
lived their life and stand aside in the sun while  
the Secretary of State has his side an experienced ex-  
Governor, who can be the chosen man to solve problems  
abroad. This is of other countries and of Colonial  
communities.

Sam'l Wilson's son of late was  
undoubtedly successful. The world sees much  
of him who is full of life, he is winning the  
spirit while animals are still in the body.  
Towing Street last days had an  
unusual amount of activity and that  
was caused by a fight for the ownership  
of the Colonial Empire. From an African Malawi, His  
Trinidad to Tucson, he has gained a reputation for  
desirability and readiness to listen to the views of both  
the 16th and 17th centuries.

One of the most difficult was that of the American government, in which a vision unceasingly haunted him. He had been a member of the Senate of America, and had served very well. During his service he had made many enemies. He had the appointment of the American commissioners, and was sent to St. Petersburg to discuss the terms of the instruments and documents of peace. He had been considered as a man of great ability, and had done some good work, but he had also done much harm. He had been a member of the British cabinet, and had been instrumental in bringing about the downfall of the ministry of Pitt. He had been a member of the British cabinet, and had been instrumental in bringing about the downfall of the ministry of Pitt. He had been a member of the British cabinet, and had been instrumental in bringing about the downfall of the ministry of Pitt.

Both species of *Spinturnix* are found on the continent of Europe, and the species *S. alpinus* is also found in Asia.

...grew cold; at times it boiled vigorously; now  
it is not in the official menu at all—though we are told  
that it is being increasingly served as an extra. Our guests  
all said that mortal man could do most of those who had  
eaten it justice to—so I wish that his advice had been  
accepted and promptly carried out. I am afraid we  
will never get away from it.

in other words, to adopt Mrs. Churchill's view, they must be getting mightily bored with political pimpidity. The use of aircraft has been a powerful solvent of East African problems, and the same forced factor in smashing parochialism, official and unofficial. Again, many of the leading trading houses are more than three continents wide, and know nothing narrower than an East African outlet, and even then Africa is only a small part of their business.

African outlook, and an East African administrator. "Sir Samuel Wilson has raised five years before his time in order to give younger men the opportunity of filling responsible positions within the Empire. But his energy and experience will still be at its service, for what hitherto has Moorgate gains. [Laughter.] We wish good health and long life to him and Lady Wilson who accompanied him on his African tour, whose interest in British nurses overrode all of long standing, and who brought on one Government House and in London has been so helpful. I have tried to do my official duty in this work.

"Sir John and Lady Maffei have been in the service of the Sultan, in which they have spent seven years. They have made many friends in the vast country, look upon them as two firm and gracious friends. Sir John proved himself more than a great administrator: he had the vision to see the needs of his territory, a decision to embark upon policies designed to meet those needs, and a perseverance which would not be daunted by right or left."

A few people realise that the world depression probably affected the Sudan more than any other "East African" dependency. Yet the confidence of the country in its Governor-General remained unimpaired. He inspired the greatest loyalty in his subordinates; never allowed himself to be bound by strict rules; avoided facts; was guided by a deep sense of justice; and was on the best of terms with the local communities and their leaders. Indeed, he was lost to us all. We shall think, when we have given him a fitting funeral, that he deserved a better fate.

#### THE GROUP'S RIGHTS

"Our welcome to Sir John and Lady Maffey is warmer because of the splendid send-off they gave Mr. Rice when he visited the Sudan to recruit for the Inter-Sets League, of which Sir John is a Vice-President. The League, to which this Great Slave country has given us great encouragement and assistance, was very glad to have Mr. Rice representing

... great pleasure we have written Sir Stewart and Lord Maffei to assure them to succeed Sir Joshua and Lady Maffei. Khan's death has deeply regretted us. We transfer Sir Stewart to us. We hope that his health or his position will not suffer from the change. His political career will be continued. There can be no question that he has been Ganguvanya's most popular Governor since Mr. Ward. He is now far more popular in this country than any of his predecessors, and that he is unloved beyond measure in the relations between the British and Indian governments.

Clifford-Lett, the Secretary of State for East Africa, the first who has made contact with him, and the information which he has given to the world concerning his intentions—or even willingness to fight when challenged. [Laughter.] A good many men are investigating whether, though he will be probably a month in East Africa by the use of aircraft, he has formed an army or not. We will see as much as we can of our troops could be sent by land transport in several months. Sir Philip is more than one champion of East Africa in the House of Commons, and on the public platform affords a great

that this visit will be a pleasant one, and that it will enhance the appreciation of the territories. When he returns to Europe he will honour this Group by coming to address us.

" Lord Plymouth, the Under-Secretary of State, visited East Africa two years ago, and showed a keen interest in East African affairs in the House of Lords long before he attained his present office, in which he has already had opportunities of smoothing away difficulties in matters such as the defining out of our part of the Empire. Lady Plymouth and he have been members of the Over-Seas League since 1925, and he is Vice-President and Member of the Councils."

#### TANGANYIKA PERMANENTLY BRITISH.

" I myself travelled to East Africa before the War, and have no loss of time in the territories. Never shall we forget his rousing declaration at the East African Dinner of 1925, when, as Secretary of State, he said: 'Tanganyika is permanently incorporated in the British Empire.' (Applause.) I stress that—permanently! It is an entire deputation that is less British than any other Colonial! Though we have laid ourselves under an obligation to the League of Nations, it is not one whit less British to do so, to make our tenure of our white less tenuous. This, I think, Mr. Amery realised the importance of grasping Tanganyika more firmly to the neighbouring British States, and took practical steps towards this end."

" Burdened as his office was in those days with Dominion affairs, also, he left East African matters largely in the capable hands of Mr. Ormsby-Gore, his friend and Civil Secretary, whose approachability, versatility, and power of assimilation deeply impressed East Africans at the time of his visit. (Hear, hear!) I think he still retains *bomitas*, which had been put into rather too good 'order' (laughter), motor roads which looked too new to be genuine, and even utterances by officials which were less than convincing. We were delighted that Lady Beatrix has been able to accompany him today."

" This meeting is in itself a painted illustration of East African co-operation. This East African Group, representing every interest in every territory, is entirely unofficial, but is to-day entertaining only official guests. By a happy coincidence we meet in the Whitehall Rooms—but in an all-British atmosphere. We have with us a valued Governor-General who has been sponsored by the Foreign Office to the Colonial Office, and also a Governor whom the Colonial Office presents to the Foreign Office as a Governor-General."

" I do not believe that one person present would advocate the old idea of regarding the territories as water-tight compartments. The barriers are falling away. Circumstances, even more than deliberate policy, are compelling the imperial Government to act upon Article 10 of the Tanganyika Statute, which provides that 'the Mandatory shall be authorised to constitute the Territory into a Customs, fiscal and administrative union or federation with the adjacent territories under his own sovereignty or control.'

" It is very significant that a British Union, Tanganyika has just been formed to accelerate such closer Union—and still more significant that the first Committee should consist, apart from Sir Charles Gavan Chichester and Secretary, of only one Briton, Dr. G. C. Scott, of whom being a naturalised Australian. In the South there is a German and a Greek. That is to say, of Tanganyika settlers, among whom Greeks and Dutch South Africans are prominent, to steer the Colonial unions and activities. (Laughter.)

" That I have delayed you so long is due to the fact that all our guests have contributed so briefly to recall their contributions. My lords, ladies and gentlemen, you will be upstanding and to drink to the health of 'Our Queen'—coupled with the names of Sir Samuel Wilson and Sir John Maffey." (Applause.)

#### SIR SAMUEL WILSON'S REPLY.

" Sir Samuel Wilson said in reply:

" I thank you on behalf of my wife and myself for the very cordial way in which you have just drunk our health. I do not think I deserve the flattering things which Mr. Joelson has said about me. I have been a soldier most of my life, and have been taught to do my duty during the two wars in which I have been an official connected with the Civil Service and the Colonial Office. I have only had to do my duty. My wife and I appreciate the great kindness of this East African Group in inviting us. It is nice to see so many of our old friends here."

" This day is rather like one for me, because it means

that I have retired from the post of Permanent Under-Secretary of State, which I have held for the last eight and a half years—the longest period that the post has been held by anyone during the past fifty-two years. My time at the Colonial Office, if somewhat strenuous, has sometimes been extraordinarily interesting. It brought me into touch with a very large number of people who have been very kind and helpful, and whom I shall never forget.

" I am lucky to have held the post when there has been so much development in the Colonial Empire, and in the four Secretaries of State whom I had the honour to serve—of whom two are here to-day. I appreciate it very much knowing how busy they are. I have also been lucky to be sent on various missions overseas, notably by Mr. Agery to West Africa, then by Mr. Avery to East Africa, and last year by Sir H. R. Munro, the British Ambassador to Malaya, Hong-Kong and Ceylon.

" Mr. Joelson asks you why I came to East Africa. I am glad to say, because it is only three weeks to-day since I became an unofficial, and I think perhaps it would be better for me not to touch this afternoon on the more serious question of Colonies. I was sent to East Africa to go into that problem, and our visit was most interesting. That tour, in which my wife accompanied me, was interesting, not only from the problems which I was sent to solve, but it was also very interesting to see for once the diversity of conditions prevailing in those three great territories of Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika. I have often thought since that it is a great pity that that diversity is not realised by many of those who sit here and write articles about East Africa. (Hear, hear.)

" Did we not see the great game reserves in the big game areas? Could we not truly say that they are Peacock's higher point than any other in the Empire? Did we not cross that interesting Lake Victoria from Kigoma to Mwanza? And did we not spend three days at the port of Kitambari? Only on our last evening did we see that glorious snow-tipped dome of乞力馬札羅 just before sunset. Last, but not least, did we in East Africa meet a very large number of charming people who were most extraordianarily kind to us and far more hospitable? (Laughter.) Is it a wonder that envy? Philip Cunliffe-Lister the trip that he is shortly going to take to these interesting territories? Our trip to East Africa will always remain in our memory as one of the most pleasant we have ever undertaken, and my wife and I will never forget the great kindnesses that we have at times been shown by people we met, and secondly those connected with East Africa in this country. I thank you, Mr. Joelson, and the members of the East African Group for their very great kindness in inviting us this afternoon." (Applause.)

#### SIR JOHN MAFFEY'S REPLY.

" Sir John Maffey said:

" I thank the members of the Group for their welcome on my emergence from the pompania of a condominium into the full Imperial light which rests upon the Colonial Office. It is a great change for me, and to do so I feel that Sir Samuel Wilson has had the easier task. He stands before you with his task well and truly done, with your gratitude well and truly won. Through your Chairman has coupled my name with his in his speech; our cases are very different. Do a racecourse when at the end of a race you see a horse being unsaddled?—and Sir Samuel Wilson—an old peer crowding round him and patting him on the neck, he is, as the saying goes, a horse for your husband." (Laughter.) He is dressed because he has done something. But it is different when before a race you see a horse in the paddock—that is me—and if you see people waiting that horse you would be unwise to notice its importance in the paddock to it. (Laughter.) I thank the Chairman for the way in which he has introduced us here. In the Sudan we had British Army links in our double way. In particular we had to tread the same sad and difficult path of retrenchment and curtailment, forced upon us by world conditions for which we were in no way to blame. Not only did we have the same touch with the problems of East Africa, but with the people of East Africa.

" We met some of those engaged in that wonderful fort. I think there has been no such life since Elizabethan days. They are making under the effort to open a new field for British trade across the seas. They have not had the best of luck, but they have shown patience in the face of great difficulties, enterprise, pluck, and if I may say so, a sense of humour. (Laughter.) I am certain that each should receive all the help they deserve. I desire that in these matters I am not overzealous, so I do not say too much. That is my opinion. I do not mind what a difficult task I have in succeeding Sir Samuel Wilson.

" (Included in file No. 88.)



Impressions of the Luncheon

by S.

"East Africa's" Caricaturist

... have combined in a wonderful way to make me  
unconsciously aware of the fact. All I can promise is to do  
my best. I thank the Chairman and the Group for their  
kindly encouragement, they have given me to-day.  
(Applause.)

## LORD PLYMOUTH'S TRIBUTE TO "EAST AFRICA"

Lord Plymouth proposing the Chairman said:

"As Sir Philip Culhane-Ester has been so kind as to leave this  
heavenly earth in order to reply to questions in the House of  
Commons, it behoves me to do my best to dispose of some portions of  
our chairman, Mr. Jackson, and I assure you that I do so  
with the greatest regret. In concluding Mr. Jackson's  
long and learned references he made to me during his  
speech, I feel somewhat reluctant to call attention to a  
slight omission. He said that many years ago I once paid  
a visit to East Africa. That is not quite true, but it is  
true. I am sorry to say that very recently, when I was  
given the post of Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies,  
my only link with East Africa was the fact that my father  
left me a large number of shares in an East African  
Company, which I regret to say have never paid me much  
in the way of dividends. (Laughter.) This is the truth.  
I can say no more.

I can say for it.  
I well remember the day I met Mr. Johnson. He was in Mrs. Grosby-Green's house, and it was in connection with the first occasion when we came to East Africa on behalf of my party in the Uganda Land. Mr. Johnson then gave me some extremely useful information and advice, which proved of great help to me when I had to get up and speak.

"Since that time I have been a regular reader of *Lev. Africal*. I very soon gathered after reading that paper for some time that Mr. Johnson was a man of very decided and independent views—a man who had no the slightest hesitation in expressing those views whenever he thought that the question warranted it. That, I think, is a qualification in his character which we may all deplore. But I further learnt that Mr. Johnson was a man who was interested in and devoted to the interests of the East African Dependencies, and that he was determined to do everything in his power to help and assist those who live there."

Most of you are aware Mr. Joseph Conrad, German East Africa, when the War broke out, he was taken prisoner by the Germans and after passing through a number of vicissitudes, he was liberated by a Belgian force. He then entered our Intelligence Corps and remained there until the end of the War. After the war he took up journalism and wrote a book on Tavayniko's Territories, but it was not until 1924 that he founded the paper called "East Africa" which has up to date had a very considerable success.

*East Africa* is unique in that it is the only paper in this country solely devoted to East African news, pages of the greatest value to those interested in the fate of the world, and that it is the only paper for the sturdy independence spirit.

I think that to some extent it is to him to attempt to bring together and to reconcile the various shades of opinion in the East African countries on important questions where differences and difficulties so easily arise. I want to add this: just as in his position Mr. Jocelyn is enabled to obtain the views of the leading elements who are interested in East Africa, so can he count upon the help of the Colonial Office in every way in which we are able to help him. (Heads beat!) I only wish to conclude by referring to Mr. Jocelyn's position as chairman of the East African Group. This was supposed to be a special position at the end of last year, and I understand that the year during which he has held that office has been extremely successful. A considerable number of interesting and instructive addresses have been given lectures on the country's feelings, and Mr. Jocelyn's efforts should be rewarded. I saluted his audience with great skill, energy and enthusiasm.

**THE CHURCHMAN'S RIBBLE**

Responding, Mr. Nelson said he was overwhelmed at the kindly way in which Linda Livings had proposed the toast. It would always be his endeavour to state the truth as he saw it and when criticism seemed necessary there would never be *any* *sense* in his party. His spirit

or independence should never rule out the views of other people, some of whom, as a result of much greater experience, had greater right to express their opinions than he had.

"Anything I have been able to do for this Group has been very gladly done, for I believe it has a real sphere of usefulness and great potentialities of further service. The presence of so many people of eminence is a great guarantee for the Group. Its main object is to circulate genuine information about East Africa. That must commend itself to you all. Join us if you have time.

already done so.  
Lady Buxton, our President, has shown unfailing interest in our progress; the Committee, consisting of Lady Eleanor Cole, Mr. Harper, Mr. McLean and Mrs. S. Murray, is a real working Committee; Mrs. Anderson, our Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, is an immense asset. We owe her a very great debt of gratitude indeed. The Group owes its birth to her unselfish zeal. We deeply regret her absence from this luncheon on account of the serious illness of her husband. I should like in your name to send a telegram expressing our regret at her absence, our thanks for her past services, and good wishes for the recovery of Mr. Anderson. (Applause.) Major Corbett Ward has kindly consented to be Luncheon Secretary. It has meant an enormous amount of work, but we know it is the kind of work in which he relishes. He would not let us thank him, so I hope you will. (Applause.)

Lord Plymouth I must once more thank you<sup>4</sup> for the extremely generous manner in which you proposed this toast, and you, my lords, ladies and gentlemen, for the cordial way in which you have received it. 2

**THOSE PRESENT**

among those present were Field-Marshal Viscount and Viscountess Alveray, Mr. I. S. Amery, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Baker, Mr. C. Balfour, Mr. and Mrs. P. Barry, Brigadier Battye, Sir Harold Bellman, Mr. R. H. Bhang, Mr. H. N. Blunt, Mr. S. H. Boileau, Mr. E. J. H. Boose, Mr. A. J. Brett, Miss D. Brown, Captain and Mrs. E. W. Butte, Mr. and Mrs. C. Buckingham, Dowager Lady Buxton, Mr. F. S. Castellano, Sir Theodore and Lady Chambers, Dr. F. Charlesworth, Mr. C. T. Cogle, Lady Fenwick Cole, Major and Mrs. W. M. Crowley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Galloway, Sir Philip and Lady Cumming-Bruce.

and Lady Ulster-Glen, Mr. C. K. Dain, Major C. H. Dale, Major-General Sir John and Lady Davidson, Mr. Lloyd Davies, Sir Edward Davis, Sir Edward and Lady Dawson, Colonel Ivan Dawson, Mrs. Cooper Day, M.P. Rupert de Lille Bere, Mrs. John J. Downey, Captain H. C. Drueett, Mr. C. W. Guy Edmon, Mr. E. F. Fisher, Mr. J. Arthur F. Gladay, Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Fisher, Sir George Flannery, Mr. G. J. Fahy, Mr. J. P. Fletcher, Mr. J. M. Fox, Mr. R.

Commander Gobin, M.C.B., Gauntlett, Miss B. D.,  
Lady, Miss A. Gough, Miss M. Gough, Sir William  
Gowers, Sir Peter Grant, Major H. W. and Mrs. Gray,  
Lieutenant-Colonel M. Grentell, Mr. J. R. Grentell, Dr.  
and Mrs. W. B. Guiness, Sir Robert and Lady Hamilton,  
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hartars, Mr. S. M. Hayes, Mr.  
C. B. Haubusser, Mr. E. Hauer, Sir Sydney and Lady  
Henrietta, Sir William Hindmarsh, Mr. C. W. Hind, Mr. and  
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## SHOOTING ELEPHANT BY VEREY LIGHT

Commander D. E. Blunt's modest but lucid book...

EXTRAORDINARILY few men in Africa anywhere else have taken the hazard of following raiding elephants into Native gardens at night to shoot them by the aid of Verey lights. As far as we know, the first pioneer of this form of nocturnal adventure, which is probably unequalled for sheer concentrated excitement, was Commandant David Enderby Blunt, R.N. (Field), the well-known Tanganyika elephant control officer. This is his account of such an excursion, as related in his book "Elephant."

"Plunging into a pitch-dark bush to follow a wallowing path about ten inches wide, between a bit thorn-bushes and even taller trees, our elephant control officer stumbled on for an hour or more until a clearing is reached, and here in his turn he does not know whether the cultivated areas lie to a river or not, where the open spaces are, how far the gardens extend in any direction, and the number of elephants in the raiding herd.

"The kerosene-lamp is extinguished, and then, as darkness is pale, and in Indian file, the guide with Verey lights in front, the little party walks stealthily towards the sound of twelve-foot high millet where the elephants are supposed to be. They may have moved to another area, but the night is so still that the crackle and swish of the millet can be heard as the raiders move about. A hurried and whispered consultation as to the lie of the land decides a tip-toe creep between the millet stalks in the hope of seeing a raider. If it is impossible to see, a detour is made to the side where the elephants came in from the bush, as they will probably return the same way."

"The last time I shot at night we got to within a few yards of one elephant and stood for a full minute listening, when my tracker said, 'It's a pin, master.' There were none of the usual elephant sounds, but suddenly there was such a rending of millet stalks that we knew no animal but an elephant could be there. As we got to a clearing between the millet and the bush the elephant moved off."

"When he was broadside on, at thirty yards distance, I fired a *Verdey* and up went the Verey light above him. It was a scene which ought to be painted. I gave the elephant one at the heart and just had time to load and fire again as the Verey light came down and he disappeared into the bushes. Not leaving a heard and no sound after the animal, we concluded he was either just inside the cover, but as the torch turned up and we could approach the spot where he entered the bush we found him dead on the ground. The report of the second round must have synchronised with his fall."

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Here are some other interesting extracts from this thrilling but modest and informative book...

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"Elephants depend for everything on their sense of touch. At night it tells him of the good-smelling millet a mile or two up-wind, and purely by touch it guides his every footstep through the bush. With it he feels the presence of water, and also drinks and eats by it. Should the wind be blowing in the right direction it will detect man being an amazing distance away."

"In the centre of an elephant's head is a hair the length of one's middle finger. It has to a certain extent as a 'feeler'."

"Only once have I enjoyed eating elephant meat. Usually it is like trying to bite in a ribbon; but on one occasion it was exactly like bacon and was very delicious."

"The elephant's stomach has a separate compartment, or 'tank,' which may hold as much as 20 gallons."

"Old elephant when lying down air very fond of using an anthill for a pillow. I knew of at least four men who have seen elephant lying down, asleep and snoring."

"Lord Londsdale, that prince of sportsmen, has written in terms of high praise of this book, which is published by *East Africa*, and will be sent to any address for 12s. post free."

## NEAR SHAVES WITH PUFF ADDERS.

More Extracts from Sir Frederick Jackson's Diary.

The puff adder, though one of the most deadly, is quite the most sluggish and least easy to rouse of the poisonous snakes in East Africa. It was at one time most common on Mombasa Island and the shores of Lake Elmenteita.

In spite of its numbers on Mombasa Island before wholesale bush-clearing was begun, a case of snake bite was only occasionally reported, and still more rarely could it be definitely attributed to the puff adder, though it was generally alleged to be the culprit. Dogs, however, were not infrequently bitten, generally through their own fault in baying them. There was one remarkable case of a fox-terrier belonging to Mr. A. Macdonald, the Chief of Customs, which was bitten three times. Twice it was saved, though in a semi-conscious state, by an injection of strichnine, but on the third occasion it was found dead.

With puff adders I have had many unpleasant experiences, and one of two lucky events. Once I stood on one, a great thick brute 4 ft. 9 in. long. When wounded with a rook rifle, and then prodded with a shot gun, it instantly struck at the muzzle, and not only left on the barrels two little scratch-like marks by the fangs, but a couple of splashes of venom as well.

On another occasion my friend and companion, Dr. A. D. Mackintosh, and I stood close together on a footpath with one half buried in the sand between us, and within a matter of inches of our feet. Then again, on climbing up a steep river bank with the aid of a tuft of grass on a small ledge—a tiny hand-slip—on reaching the top I found a 3 ft. 2 in. puff adder coiled up in the tuft.

### Is a Puff Adder a Good Natured Beast?

But that is nothing to the shave I once had my porters had at the same camp. He was out collecting firewood, and came in to report that he had stood on a puff adder coiled up at the foot of a tree, but was unaware of the fact until he had stood on it and tried to reach it by a dead branch when it moved. On going out to investigate personally such a remarkable statement I found the puff adder coiled up at the foot of the tree, and about seven feet above it the stump of the broken branch. It would be almost possible to believe that the puff adder is good natured—it is long suffering beyond a doubt.

I was at Elmenteita in September, 1938, that I killed in two days over four adders and a 9 ft. python, and by the end of October I had at least 100 ft. long. Four of my men and I had unconsciously stepped over one of the puff adders; it was half buried in the sand and we did not notice it, but the next man behind did. The largest I fed on that occasion was in the lake twenty yards from the shore, when first seen it was slowly swimming with very low but pronounced wriggles, directed towards where I sat hidden in a bush waiting for duck. On reaching land it lay still for quite a long time as if exhausted. It may have been as a strong wind was blowing at the time, and I believe it had actually crossed the lake.

The Gaboon puff adder takes the place of the common one in Uganda; in habits the two species are very similar. In deadlines it rivals its relative, and has two fangs, one behind the other, in each side of its jaws, and has a curious little excrecence on its snout. It is more conspicuously marked, and after casting its skin is a very beautiful creature.

With the kindness of Lady Jackson we are able to publish these interesting extracts from the diary of the late Sir Frederick Jackson.

## EAST AFRICA'S BOOKSHELF.

## THE BACKGROUND OF BANTU BELIEF.

Dr. Werner's Comparative Study of Religion and Tradition.

Not long ago, in reviewing a book by Mr. Cullen-Young, I commented on the fact that there is as yet no general "Introduction to Bantu Peoples." We have, of course, works like Professor J. G. Frazer's "Primitive Mentality" and "What the Native Thinks," and Mr. Driberg's "At Home with the Savage," & books which go partly way, but a real introduction to the Bantu is lacking.

Dr. Alice Werner, who is as well qualified as anyone living to appraise a section of this field in "Myths and Legends of the Bantu" (Harrap, 1931), and supplies it very well. It is a sound and skilful piece of exposition, well constructed and balanced, and free from dogma and bias. To all who are beginning to learn-in Africa, entering-as their needs meet, about beyond their comprehension, it is bound to be of enormous value, although it is necessarily restricted to those aspects of Bantu life and culture indicated by the title. I have called the book a compilation, but it must not be imagined that it is merely scissors and paste. No one who was not saturated in the Bantu could have done it as it has been done, and, further, the book bears evidence throughout of Dr. Werner's scholarship in a wider sense.

Special praise is due to the skill with which the author has chosen the photographs illustrating the text. I have never seen a better African action photo than "Zulus Wrestling," while the view of a woman putting maize into a grain store, is an object lesson in five pictures-pictures that tell a story. How many books on Africa show such grain bins with men life in them? I know that one of mine does. I think it is likely, however, that photos taken in European gardens, or in studios, those failing page 8 and 100 have been included.

There is a useful tribal sketch map, a good and up-to-date bibliography, and, as far as I have tested it, an adequate index. All these are useful necessary adjuncts to a scholarly book-a cyclopaedia in its own range.

H. M.

## Occupation of Matabeleland Souvenir.

We are indebted to the High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia for one of the most interesting Souvenir of the Occupation of Matabeleland (5s. 6d.) which must make appeal to all Rhodesians. The spirit of the souvenir is well summed up in the words of a poem by N. H. D. Spicer which appears in it:

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

## THE MENACE OF JAPANESE COMPETITION.

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To the Editor of "East Africa".

Sir,—Your editorial comment in the issue of "East Africa" of November 20 are very timely. In summer I expressed the opinion to you that Japanese competition was the greatest menace which this country had to face, and your comments appear to confirm in every detail the opinion which I gave.

It may interest you to quote an extract from a letter received from one of our representatives in one of the Crown Colonies. It was written a month ago:

"In addition to intense competition from Japan in white and grey shirtings, striped shirts, fancy prints, cotton goods and art. silk, they are introducing very keen competition in all other lines of textiles, including woollen garments of all descriptions; and their customers give only to obtain a cutting or sample of European goods textile Japanese agents and there shortly come very offers to supply very good and attractive matches to the subtitled cutters at prices at least 15% cheaper than the European article, even after allowing for the slight preference in the favour of British goods."

You will readily realize that if the British Government do not take this matter very seriously and raise their Customs tariff in a very short time the British trade will be completely beaten not only in England but in the British Colonies. The big local dealers would prefer to handle British goods, but on the face of these prices they are compelled to buy the Japanese line."

This summer I visited the Near Eastern markets, and I found that the Japanese had got such a hold that it would not be an exaggeration to say that 90% at least, of the textile business was in the hands of Japan at prices which nothing that we can produce could come anywhere near. Every warehouse and store was stocked from floor to roof with Japanese goods, and the remaining 10% of British trade had to be fought for between Italy, Germany and Britain. I enclose a few illustrations of pieces of interest.

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The information that you now publish as to the sale of motor-cars was then disclosed to me by our agent in one Colony, namely, that the first car had been sold there at about £50. Great interest was being displayed in the market, as it was calculated that the car gave any satisfaction, the whole of the motor-car trade would be diverted from the British makers, which then held a good proportion of the market, with some Americans filling in the balance and would be entirely supplied by the low-priced Japanese article.

There cannot be the slightest doubt but that the greatest menace to the prosperity of this country is this Japanese competition. To suppose that economic forces in Japan will within any reasonable time raise these costs appears to be living in a fool's paradise. Their work people, only a short while ago, were earning probably just a few sanna per week, the agricultural work of the female population which is now very largely employed in their factories, were probably getting no wages at all, so that the £10 to £20 a week which they now enjoy is a phenomenal paroxysm wealth, and they see no reason to complain at this. They took the standard of life in the so-called Victorian Period to the present standard, and if we are to go up to the same idea there will

be no trade deficit in the Western Countries to earn any standard of living at all—with the exception of a small exclusive trade in high grade goods, which can never maintain the working population of a densely populated country like our own. However, much reorganisation of factories may be done, or up-to-date machinery put into them, they can never hope to compete with the present scale of wages, a depreciated yen of 40%, and the mass-produced costs. Nothing but an equalising tariff will put us on level terms.

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## To Mark Tanganyika More Efficient.

Years ago I was against creation of the Northern Province of Tanganyika Territory with the neighbouring Colony of Kenya. Now, with the German birds well out, I am in favour of any and every type of unitisation which will bring the ambition and rule Tanganyika more efficiently. —*From a Tanganyika subscriber, now a Britisher.*

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## PERSONALIA.

Sir Felix Pole was last week admitted to the freedom of the City of London.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Shelswell-White of Zanzibar, on the birth of a son in London.

Brigadier-General C. C. Norman recently lectured at Livingstone on "Defence Problems in Africa."

The Rt. Rev. E. S. Woods, Bishop of Croydon, is to leave on December 22 on his visit to Uganda.

Mrs. H. K. E. Alcock, of the Tanganyika Administration, has been transferred from Morogoro to Kilwa.

A press message from Nairobi states that a Native has been charged with the murder of Mr. Henry Layton.

Mr. G. F. Walker, H.B.M. Consul for Western Ethiopia, has written a book entitled "The Abyssinian at Home."

Mr. and the Hon. Mrs. Michael Mason, who have been visiting America, expect to return to London just before Christmas.

The Rev. W. G. Lewis, who was formerly missionary in East Africa, is shortly leaving for Lüderberg, Transvaal.

Arriburer Sergeant Greaves of the K.A.R. recently shot near Nanvuki a lion-sabreant with tusks weighing 122 lb. and 123 lb.

We regret to learn of the recent death in this country of the Rev. R. J. Worthington, one of the pioneer missionaries of Kenya.

250 Europeans and a large number of Natives attended the funeral of the late Mr. H. C. Werner of Lusaka. It took place at his farm, Hereford.

Colonel Percy Smith, who some time ago succeeded in capturing a bongo in the Aberdare Mountains, has now caught his mother of the species.

Mr. T. C. Colchester and Mr. R. W. C. Baker, District Officers in Kenya, are now in charge of the Embu and South Nyiru districts respectively.

Mr. J. Fowler Brown recently gave a comprehensive description of the Nkandu mine to the Rhodesia Corporation before the South African Institute of Engineers.

Mr. J. M. Mathews, who for some time travelled the East African African territories as manufacturer's representative, is now on holiday in this country.

Mrs. H. M. Harris has won the Ladies' All-England Tennis Championship in Kenya for the fourth time in succession. Her opponent in the final match was Mrs. Ley.

Mr. S. Wooller has been re-elected Chairman of the Office Board of Kenya, and Mr. H. Wolfe has been invited to accept office as Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Frank H. Melland gave a broadcast talk last week on the report of the Merle Davis Commission. Reference to this report appears in our "Matters of Moment" column.

Mr. Alfred Chester Beale, Chairman of the Consolidated African Selection Trust, the Rhodesian Selection Trust, and other companies, has taken out British naturalisation papers.

Mr. F. W. Isaac, who served in Kenya and Uganda in the War, has sent several game heads and specimens to Gloucester Airport for exhibition during the next few months.

The Hon. Peter Gordon Todd, second son of Lord and Lady Redesdale, and the Hon. Nancy Mitford, eldest daughter of Lord and Lady Redesdale, were married in London last week.

Mr. J. B. Griffin, Registrar of the High Court in Uganda, has been selected for appointment to Crown Council of Uganda in succession to Mr. G. M. Reece, who was recently transferred to Grenada.

Major-General S. H. Sheppard, O.M.G., C.B., D.S.Q., who made many friends among our readers during the East African Campaign, has been appointed Colonel Commandant of the Royal Engineers.

Brigadier I. U. Pattee, formerly Game Warden of Tanganyika, who had previously seen long service with the Indian Army, and Mrs. Pattee will leave England at the beginning of the New Year for Kenya.

Miss S. M. Manton, Director of Studies in Zoology, Girton College, who recently returned from Central Africa, was the guest of honour one day last week at the Cambridge Old Students' Club in Manchester.

The Rev. W. P. Young, M.C., D.C.M., Principal of the Overton Institution, Livingstone, and an unofficial member of the Legislative Council, and Mrs. Young and family are spending a holiday in this country.

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Mr. Walter Mittelholzer, who has never been far from parts of East Africa for years ago, is shortly to fly a three-engined Fokker machine to Addis Ababa, where it will be taken over by the Imperial Government.

A picture of the late Mr. Justice Bonhag Carter, one of the founders, and first Commodore of the Mombasa Yacht Club, has been presented to the club by friends. The presentation was made by Mr. Weston.

Captain H. P. Nuttall Woodgate, who was a settler in Kenya before the War and served through the East African Campaign, is now lecturing in this country on "Sweeping through Germany with Hitler's Army."

East Africans elected to the Royal Empire Society at the last Council meeting included Mr. George Stuart Watt of Songhor; Mr. J. H. Brooks and Mr. C. G. Fairweather of Lindi; and Mr. R. D. Wilson of Zomba.

After the transfer to Kampala of Mr. S. G. Stansbury of the Posts and Telegraphs Department, the Uganda Guardian says: "This is the third currency in our history and if the three families get together there ought to be a boom."

Sir Abe Bailey, who delayed his departure for South Africa owing to the serious indisposition of his son, Mr. John Bailey, but has decided to leave to-morrow by the s.s. "Arundel Castle," has mining interests in East Africa.

Admiral Commander George March Guy, R.N., who has died in Southampton, was engineer officer on the ill-fated cruiser "Hermes" when that vessel was destroyed off Zanzibar at the outbreak of the War by the German cruiser "Königsberg."

The son of mammals, mostly large ungulates, shot by Major P. H. G. Powell-Cotton during his recent visit to the Sudan, has been presented by him to the Natural History Museum, South Kensington, and among the specimens is a giant eland.

We regret to learn of the death in London, at the age of sixty-three years, of Frank Litch, who lived for many years in Nyasaland and Portuguese East Africa. He served with the Nyasaland Field Force during the East African Campaign.

When Mr. Michael Arment, of Nairobi, came home recently he travelled to Cairo, Athens, Constantinople, the Black Sea, and up the Danube from Constanza to Bucharest, and thence to Budapest, Vienna, and across Germany and France.

Mrs. E. E. Audley won the MacElroy Challenge Cup at the recent annual show of the Nairobi branch of the Agricultural Society of Kenya. She also won the first and second prizes for flowers of trees and shrubs. Other prize winners were Mrs. Markwell of Subukia, for the largest number of melons; Mrs. Parradell, of Gilgil, for the best sweet potato; Mr. D. T. Nathan, of Nairobi, for the largest number of carrots in the unit; and Mr. J. G. Morris and Captain C. T. Spain, of Nairobi, for cut flowers.

A marriage has been arranged between Mr. H. Bayford, eldest son of Mr. R. P. Bayford, K.C., and Mrs. Bayford of 10, Hill, Hampshire, and Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Brigadier-General Sir Henry Page Croft, Bt., C.M.G., M.P., and the Hon. Lady Croft.

Mr. John Crampton, only son of Vice-Admiral H. H. Crampton, C.B., D.S.O., and Mrs. Crampton, of Chippingham, Kent, and Mrs. Mary Josselyn, only daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Edward Josselyn, of Isleworth, are to be married in Ritalde on December 21.

Mr. H. W. Martin, the East African big game hunter, has described for the Glasgow Evening News how on one occasion he watched a struggle between a python and a crocodile. The former was eighteen feet long and the latter, which lost the fight, was also eighteen feet in length.

Sir Eugene Ramsden has been elected Chairman of the Trade and Industry Committee of supporters of the National Government, with Sir Geoffrey Ellis as Vice-Chairman. Mr. C. J. Colverwell, who visited East Africa a short time ago, and Mr. C. G. Peat have been elected Honorary Vice-Chairmen.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. W. C. Kirk, D.S.Q.A., a son of the late Sir John Kirk, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., formerly Consul-General in Zanzibar, has been elected Chairman of the Nottingham Branch of the British Legion. Colonel Kirk was born in East Africa, and served as Somaliland from 1902 to 1904.

A memorial bust to Sir Charles Lucas, Assistant Under-Secretary at the Colonial Office from 1897 to 1911, was unveiled on Monday by Sir Amy. Replicas of the bust in bronze have been presented to the Royal Geographical Society and to the Working Men's College, with busts of well-known men. Sir Charles Lucas was closely associated.

Dr. H. J. de Boer, M.C., who has been appointed Deputy Director of Medical Services in Uganda in succession to Dr. W. L. Webb, was on the staff of the Kenya Medical Service from 1920 to 1927 when he was transferred to South Africa. In 1931 he was appointed Deputy Director of Medical Services in Northern Rhodesia. He hopes to take up his new duties towards the end of this month.

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Mr. Donald Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Colin Campbell, of Cambridge, Gordon Hotel, G. & 2, and Miss Helen Christopher, daughter of the late Mr. F. G. G. Christopher, and Miss Christopher, of Gorongosa, Portugal, were married at Nakuru.

Mrs. Carolyn Waller Jones, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Stevens F. Jones, educational director of the Phelps-Stokes Fund, and a keen student of East African development, was married recently in New York to Mr. Samuel R. Williams of Philadelphia.

Recent events referred to the excellent work done during the recent troubles in Palestine by the Police under Mr. J. G. B. Speer, the Inspector-General, who was formerly Commissioner of Police in Kenya. We know now that two other ex-members of the Kenyan Police contributed greatly—Mr. H. P. Rice by his extremely accurate intelligence work, and Mr. H. S. Swain, who was in charge of the General Division.

Lieutenant-Colonel T. S. S. Muirhead, who has been appointed to the Command of the South African Brigade of the British African Rifles, has seen considerable service in East Africa. He was first appointed to the 1st K.R.R. in 1912, serving with them until October, 1915, when he was appointed Senior Company Commander in the 2/1st Battalion. Later he commanded the 2nd Battalion, serving in that position until 1920.

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## COLONIAL CIVIL SERVANTS AND INCOME TAX.

Important decision in Court of Appeal.

COLONIAL Civil servants will be particularly interested in a decision of the Court of Appeal last week.

Mr. Corry, a Civil servant, was appointed by the Admiralty to a post in Singapore, and held it from August 1, 1928, to September, 1930. He was paid a salary and a Colonial allowance. During part of the time he was provided with an official house, and when not so provided he received a housing allowance. He was assessed to income tax under Schedule E for three years in full sum representing the salary and allowances and also the value of the official residence. He appealed against the assessments, contending that his income being earned wholly abroad was not subject to taxation in the United Kingdom. Schedule E also in any case the allowances could not be included.

Mr. Justice Finlay held (1) that Mr. Corry was liable to be so assessed on his salary, Colonial allowances and allowance implied in a house. He thought, however, that the value of the official house was not income and could not be calculated as such for assessment.

Mr. Corry appealed on the first point and the Crown appeal on the second.

The Master of the Rolls gave judgment, saying that the words in Schedule E of the Income Tax Act, 1910, purport to bring within the Nettoy to the all persons employed in public departments, officers or men, pensions, etc., and as such *prima facie* applicable to Mr. Corry, and the Lordship could not assent to the doctrine that the duties stated in the Act were *extra-his-tery*. He thought that they were an essential part of the office, rendering its construction Rule 6 laid it down that tax was to be paid in respect of all public offices and emoluments of profit within the United Kingdom, and that members thereof as so described. It was therefore his opinion to see what office held by the appellant was in fact a means of profit within the United Kingdom, in which state it was only necessary to turn to Rule 6 for explanation.

A person chargeable in respect of his office or employment or profit shall be deemed to exercise it at the head office of the department under which it is held and shall be assessed and charged at that head office, although the duties of the office may be performed or any profits thereof may be derived there, whether within the United Kingdom or not.

This section seems to afford a key to the construction of the words used in Rule 6. It seemed that the duties of Mr. Corry must be deemed to have been exercised at the head office of the Navy, which was in London. As regards the allowances paid to Mr. Corry, once it was accepted that he was properly assessed the assessment must be considered according to ordinary rules, and there was no doubt that the allowances really paid were part of the salary.

But with regard to the cross-appeal the position was different. The defence was provided for Mr. Corry with the express proviso that he was not responsible in whole or in part. He could not make a profit out of it. When the question was considered what could or could not be turned into money by Mr. Corry, and when the same property in the house were remunerated there was no question of the fact that the value of the house ought to be treated as liable to be an income tax. The appeal and cross-appeal must be dismissed.

Lord Slesser and Lord Justice Romer also gave judgments dismissing the appeal and cross-appeal.

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## COFFEE GROWING BY NATIVES

SUBCOMMITTEE ON East African Board

**COLONEL CHARLES FOSSENBY**, who had returned from Brazil a few days previously, took the chair at the December meeting of the Executive Council of the Joint East African Board, which was attended by Mr. H. C. H. Bull, Major S. H. Daley, Mr. Campbell Haubusberg, Sir Sydney Hannum, Sir Humphrey Leggett, Mr. Leslie Pettingill, Mr. Philip Richardson, Mr. W. Wimbleworth, and Miss Acting Secretary.

A week earlier he had gone to Kenya to investigate the problems of coffee growing by natives, and to get the facts concerning the production of coffee by natives from the economic situation. The European planters did not wish publication to feel that they wanted protection for Native coffee growing, but they did feel that this was not the time to increase production, even of European plantation supplies, a scheme for the restriction of which was usually being considered. It was realised that experimental planting by Natives in three selected areas was to be undertaken under Government auspices, but the authorities had promised not to proceed if it could be established in practice that there were definite dangers to established European industry from theft, disease, or other ways.

Colebel reported that the Brazilian output this year would be approximately 10,000,000 bags of 60 kilos each, whereas the average world consumption of coffee was about 23,000,000 bags annually. Some 23,000,000 bags had already been burnt or thrown into the sea by the Brazilian Government, and in order to bring production into line with consumption it was now considered that further 20,000,000 bags would have to be sacrificed in the same way. Even then it was not considered by any means certain that prices could be maintained, particularly as two-thirds of the Brazil crop is sold in the U.S.A., the invention of new currency is a serious factor in Brazil. It seemed certain that increased coffee production of any kind should not be encouraged at present.

## Advantages and Disadvantages

Sir Humphrey Leggett pointed out that Great Britain was a market of good quality for coffee, other than for poor types, but that there was a certain outlet here for low grades, and a much larger outlet in South Africa and Canada in all of which Imperial Preference now operates to the extent of £6s. 8d. per ton on Empire-grown coffee. He looked at the market from the economic standpoint only, he thought that Kenya stood to gain if she could sell Native-grown coffee to Australia, Canada, and other markets which were buying from Brazil, for the result would be that Natives who now have no purchase money would contribute to the Customs revenue, and the railway budget and pure money into circulation among traders. The competition, he felt, would not be against the white planters' coffee, rather against it. Only on the previous days, for instance, a friend of his in the City had received an order for 10 tons of low-grade coffee for Germany. In the past he had always supplied Brazilian, but was now trying to get East African. As "Native coffee growing" in East Africa expanded there might be a stronger case for increased Imperial preference.

Mr. Pettingill mentioned that the newly-planted coffee would not be harvested for at least five years, by which time markets would presumably have altered and the world position re-adjusted, to which Mr. Orme replied that the more knowledge that we are in the being put under cultivation was in itself sufficient to keep pricelessness.

Mr. Philip Richardson suggested that coffee growing by natives might seriously affect the relations between European planters and their creditors, when it was agreed that "Native production might weaken the position of Europeans, could be expected to continue to finance them in the way they had done in the past." Mr. Bull agreed that that was a very important consideration, adding that there was a widespread conception that the independence of other plantations should be obtained by the Kenya Land Bank.

## Tanganyika Sisal Tax Bill Criticised

An American lawyer, been one of the last members of the Third Class of the British Empire Public Service Commission, came on basis having been invited by the Colonial Office to come to East Africa and to advise

Wimbleworth on the need for the closest co-operation and simultaneous action by the Governments and Sisal Associations of Kenya and Tanganyika; it was resolved to ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies to suspend the operation of the Tanganyika Sisal Tax Bill until a common policy had been agreed by Sir Humphrey Leggett and emphasised that a scheme to operate in Africa and in England had been agreed by the two local Associations and by sisal interests in this country, that all discussions had been held in the understanding that the present financial difficulties units of the Board, informed that nothing had been done to implement that policy.

The result of the report, as discussed in detail, was laid on the Committee. Emphasis was placed on the importance of keeping individual members of the Board informed of the

## SIR JOSEPH BYRNE'S SPEECH IN COUNCIL

## Kenya Emerging from Depression

One abiding satisfaction emerges from those thoroughly unsatisfactory years, and that is the fine courage, determination and fighting spirit with which the men and women of the Colony have also faced the situation. Kenya can look back with pride on this, and with such a population she can also look forward to the future with every confidence.

This spirit inspired the whole of the Governor's speech to the Kenya Legislative Council. He promised to foster mining, which will prove a stimulus to agriculture, and the circulation of money, and noted that the price decline in agricultural produce appears to have been arrested, though the prospect of maize and wheat batches in view of the increasing dairy production said, "the system is being changed to a more moderate against signs of drought in few countries it is in the best quantities of forage crops and ensilages. The coffee industry was making rapid progress in methods and organisation, and the Governor had secured the colony's confidence.

Sir Joseph offered to grant £1,000,000 free of interest for six years by the Colonial Development Fund for the organisation and installation in Kenya of a new type of sisal despatching machinery. Trials at Longonot had been most satisfactory, and the machine promises materials to reduce production costs.

Referring to Native migration, H.E. commented on the rapid growth of native population, of whom 12,000 were valued at £2,000,000 and have been imported by the end of this year. Natives have raised the value of waste both from the point of view of fuel and bark production, and there is now a regular excess of material over cutting. The ghee outlook was promising, and they were exploring the possibility of selling cream from Native herds to creameries within economic reach. There was progress in the hide trade, 100 shade-drying sheds had been erected in many areas. Natives appreciated the financial advantage of this method of treatment. There had been a record cotton crop in the Coast since 1929.

The extension of medical work had been made possible only by the great advances which had been made by Africans in the provision of health services as dressers, laboratory workers, health workers' clerks, etc. Also the response of the Native Councils to the regulation provided by the demonstration of what can be done for them." The amounts voted by these councils for medical services in the past three years had been £1,000, £1,066, and £2,260. The Governor said, "you share in the general prosperity that might well bring to the Colony as a whole."

The Governor then made the gratifying announcement that "there have recently been noticeable very strong indications of a coming increase in the tourist traffic, and, in particular, in the number of tourists from Europe, and he added with an appreciation of the great importance of the revenues of the Kenya and Uganda Railways and Harbours."

He went on to say that "Kenya is emerging from depression. It is doubtful if it can stand. In this section of the Colony there has been a great demand for work between all sections of the community. We desire to see that our men in the army are agreeable. We are now working in the form of a national service, and it would be a tragedy if any of the volunteers should be sent to the front without experience and lost through want of mutual understanding."

## EAST AFRICA

# WHY CONVERT THE NATIVES?

CHRISTIANITY needed in Africa to help the African to meet the impact of Westernisation," says the Bishop of Zimbabwe. In the course of an article, contributed to the *African Evening News*,

The question now is, should we convert them? It is usually asked by those who are not Christians themselves, but it is a question which is now occupying many who do not wish to try to Christianise the Negroes and disrupt their primitive state of simple happiness. I know from personal experience that Africa is a primitive pagan land; it is not a happy country some people imagine it to be. African savagery is the most terrible in the world. Even the European lands are not specially happy.

The African sees his tribe as religious; indeed, he realises that nothing happens without God who is to his imperfect knowledge his friend or his fatalist. He has a great belief in the spiritual world, but he dwells more on its evil powers than on its good ones, and this again adds to his fear of years. His life is one long round of sacrifice to please his surroundings, his cattle and all his possessions are the property of God. He has his moral code, to which he is bound to adhere by the laws of the tribe. If he strays it is punished, and because in the villages it knows about it, African society is a primitive state has no value, but there is a good deal of it in which virtues and corrupts.

"We have tried to Christianise our tribes, but have improved in African customs, as we have adopted entirely the Christianised tribal initiation rites, with very good results. We have sacrificed many of our European ideas and worked on African lines."

ideas and worked on African lines. With reference to education, the Bishop said that "it is the last cause owed most of its educational success to the societies, but to-day Governments are beginning to take their responsibilities, and there is a very real co-operation between them and the various missionary societies." The result was a higher standard of education than any country had ever known before, and he stressed the importance of the communities of white men who had made their homes in Africa and have now opened industry and commerce. "On these must depend largely the right relationship and co-operation between the two races which is necessary for the peace, goodwill and prosperity of the country."

~~FILMING CAME FROM THE~~

MR. BONNETT, who was cinematographer to Sir Alan Cobham during his last flight through Central Africa, says in *Ideas*: —

Reactions of African Notes towards a Still Camera are most contradictory. Generally they can be divided into two classes: those who run away at the sight of the camera tripod—perhaps they connect it with a machine gun—and those who are so interested in it that it is almost impossible to take a photograph of them.

"Wild animals in Africa behave somewhat similarly in the Sufian swamps. I have seen over here five hundred tame wild elephants so close that one could shoot their waving trunks and tails and the great tusks of these bulls." They ploughed up the ground, drawing out a "wash," like miniature streams, tugs,

In Kenya herds of buffaloes have stampedes before  
large birds from which I was phoning ring  
through dense clouds of dust. But giraffes were not at all  
alarmed. They stood stock still or placidly nibbled  
leaves on the trees, as if nothing was going on around them.  
air."

The Uganda Guardian which is still in its fifth year of its existence, was good enough to write editorially recently:—

A modest-footnote in No. 460 of Volume 10 of *Zoë* announces that that issue begins the tenth year of its existence. Long may it flourish! It is a paper that doesn't please everybody, but would not be in existence if it did not; however much people may disagree, it should always be sound, decent, and straightforward and continue to have its own for ten years by instead of writing some common sense.

## **HEROISM ON THE NIL**

Captain Macy Phillips, to whom most Africans are indebted for much useful information on behalf of the territories, has sent to The Times the following account of real reform in Africa:

managing act of the Legislature in saving  
the Bank of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
(whence this note is written) -

... qualities in these boys have again been seen  
in nine people of twelve different villages, even including under  
small boats and driving them through the water.  
About noon one Saturday a small boy of about 10 years old, called  
Makaka, while talking on the shore, suddenly, without warning,  
jumped backwards, fell into the water and was seen  
by a woman opposite. The boy's companion  
group of ten Natives all showed instant anger by  
shouting at each other and gesturing. Their policy  
was "every boy for himself."

Some distance off, however, on the farward side of the group, just where it was, was Anna Kanzo, a retired pensioner servant of the Government, who had been in charge of Japan when John had first passed steamer on the Alberta Manza. The old woman told him what had happened. While he was in some hesitation, not knowing how to act, she had laid her pasty-faced head across the raised hand-in-place, and had stood there, out beyond the savanous-sud, the Island herself a weed-and-flax bottom, with water up to her chin. The crocodile had seized its victim by both arms, and the "knee" was already swimming over, carrying to "Emerge." The child's arm was still above the wavy surface, patetically and more and more feebly above the surface. Anna caught the arm, trying to pull the child up to the surface to get breath.

up to the surface to get air. Crocodiles are always numerous at Sungai Besar. He began very gradually to succeed. It was still dark up the river, the reptile intent upon purchase by legs or tail. The water became muddier than by the furious barking of the beasts. The boy, thinking hard and ready, had crawled away to be able to swim or even to disengage his own body from the back-stomach lamprey which had run up at last to the ground. His small oil lamp was running up to him through the crowd, set on a spear to keep them from hitting it accidentally to his father. With one hand Jumias seized the weapon. With the other he did not relax his hold. He held on to Mataka's arm. A Herculean effort he managed to hold up in the water and stab down on to the crocodile.

Luma, invited to come and describe the scene himself, said he had been sitting by as the fight was written, and had seen the spearhead only just penetrate the plate-armour of the beast's back, but about the length of a finger's breadth. But the shock of the blow, though it failed to pierce to the bone, its cold steel had struck the victim in the right side, where crocodiles' teeth are set down, and could not make it easy to dislodge. The bear, however, had freed itself free, ripping the flesh and leaving a deep wound in the body, below the thigh. A large portion of the spear had become disengaged and passed out several days later.

The crocodile then turned at once to attack Jim. He seized his hand and wrist, crushing the bone, and permanently damaging the arm. With the other (spear) hand he still managed to push the released bird behind him into less deep water. He then had strength and courage to turn and stoop and to thrust the spear to a lower unarmored place on the croc's body. It then let go and turned again towards deeper water, followed by Jim, who was attacking till the water was again up to his waist.

freed and attacking till the water was again up to his chin when he returned victoriously to the bank. He was injured internally and had to find his way to a hospital over a hundred miles away, to undergo a serious operation.

Neither the boy nor his family were known to his rescuer, whose legs passed unnoticed by Europeans till now, thus bringing a light by a remarkable hand to a scene of the adventure. The boy is a member of an entirely different group of people from the boy whose race exhibits considerable raw animosity towards his, arising from very recent calamities. Lal Kalatzi has never expected, and has never asked, any recognition. In days when Soudan, Africa, institutions of clan communism and mutual assistance are disintegrating under the imported as sachas of private enterprise, rather aggressive individuals are to be found who, in a gesture and unselfish conduct, do not let a thin man pass without appreciation in England.

Zanzibar is one of the places of which I have heard, but the reality surpassed any dream.

## EAST AFRICA IN THE HOUSE.

## Questions on Native Coffee-growing.

MR. PARKINSON asked whether, in view of the success of the annual report of the Kilifi Native Co-operative Union, the Secretary of State would recommend the further promotion of such co-operative schemes.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister replied that he had seen the report and had been informed of the successful working of the Union by the Governor. The Tanganjika Government was aware of the desirability of promoting similar schemes in other parts of the Territory but it was essential to provide them with trained supervision from the start. The prospect of special training in co-operation of officers serving in Uganda had been delayed through lack of funds, but it was glad to say that arrangements were now being made to meet that difficulty.

Questions having been put on about the International Office Conference, the Secretary of State said that was not yet desirable. Most Colonies were still faced with problems of exceptional difficulty, and he therefore thought it undesirable that Governors or other high officials should be absent from their posts more than was reasonably necessary. He regretted any opportunity had been given to discuss the future of personal discussions with him during his leave and during his own visits abroad. Moreover, the needs which the Conference in London was intended to serve were being met to a considerable extent by the growing practice of holding regional conferences, particularly upon technical subjects, in the Colonies themselves.

Mr. Mallowan was given particulars of the conditions under which Natives might practise in Kenya, and Mr. P. Williams drew attention to the Uganda Native Agriculture Advisory Board's recommendation that Native coffee growing should be encouraged.

Mr. Williams asked why what steps were being taken to encourage and extend Native coffee growing in Uganda, it should be limited to two or three areas in Kenya. Sir Philip replied that that was an entirely different proposition. In Uganda Native coffee growing was well established, and it had been possible there to go at the careful supervision which was absolutely essential, in order to maintain the quality of that very variable crop. In the worn material it was essential in developing Native coffee growing in Kenya the same care should be exercised in order to ensure that the product might be of a high standard.

Sir Edward Grey asked whether the Secretary of State was aware that in certain Town Colonies the archives of Colony were kept in timber buildings, unprotected against fire; that the documents were unsorted and rapidly decaying; and whether he could take steps to ensure their preservation. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister felt that the importance of the proper preservation of official records was impressed upon Colonial Governments in a circular of January, 1932. The Spanish also stated on occasions in which the removal of records from the Colony involved unnecessary risk of serious deterioration, endeavours were to be made to provide accommodation in this country.

## EAST AFRICAN SHIPPING.

REFERENCE to the South African Government's subsidy to Italian shipping companies operating via East African ports was made by the Hon. Alexander Shaw at last week's annual meeting of the P. & O. Steam Navigation Co., when he said:— "An important subsidiary conducting a passenger and cargo service from this country and Europe to East African ports had for many years almost invariably shown a loss but, in the hope that things would improve, they had persevered with regular sailings. But at the moment when some recompense might have been expected the news came that the Union Government of South Africa had given a subsidy to two already subsidised Italian lines, one condition laid down by the South African Government being that some of these subsidised foreign ships must proceed to Europe via East African ports which our allied company served."

"At these ports, quite naturally, the Italian shipping could not such cargo and passengers as they could not obtain tonnage for British shipping in that part of the Empire. For this reason among others this tally does not fit itself as a contribution anything towards the accounts by way of a 'deadend' this year." The ship's stockholders will agree that it is a pity that the realisation that British shipping was the essential factor in the British Empire had not developed long ago. It is true that shipping policies with British shipping strong as it was with abundant resources would have spared us the financial and political consequences of the latest economic situation."

## EAST AFRICAN SERVICE APPOINTMENTS.

The following promotions and transfers have been made to the East African Public Services for the month of December:—

Mr. J. C. Abrahams, M.B.E., Assistant Chief Secretary, to be Senior Provincial Commissioner, Nyasaland.

Mr. G. H. Jeff, Assistant Government Printer, to be Government Printer, Uganda.

Mr. H. Blackwell, late Assistant Inspector of Police, Kenya, to be Assistant Inspector of Police, Uganda.

Mr. F. J. T. Burley, late Telegraph Inspector, Nigeria, to be Telegraph Inspector, Posts and Telegraphs Department, Nyasaland.

Mr. W. M. Logan, O.B.E., Principal Assistant Commissioner for Local Government Lands and Settlements, to be Commissioner for Local Government Lands, Settlements and Mines, Kenya Colony.

Mr. C. Mathew, Assistant District Officer, Nigeria, to be Magistrate, Uganda.

Mr. N. D. Morant, Assistant Inspector of Police, Kenya Colony, to be Assistant Superintendent of Police, Tanganyika Territory.

Mr. A. R. Patel, M.B., Deputy Director of Sanitary Services, to be Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, Kenya Colony.

Mr. G. F. Davies, Assistant Chief Secretary, Tanganjika, to be Assistant Chief Secretary, Nyasaland.

Mr. G. Stolze, District Officer, to be Provincial Commissioner, Northern Rhodesia.

Mr. D. B. Turner, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Medical Officer, Zanzibar, to be Medical Officer, Nyasaland.

Mr. J. E. Watson, Assistant Treasurer, to be Chief Accountant, Public Works Department, Nyasaland.

## Roman Catholic Synod.

Roman Catholic Synod, representing a million adherents, is to be held in Kampala next year. Among those who will attend will be Bishop Heffernan, Vicar Apostolic of Uganda, Bishop Kev of the Consolata Missionaries and Vicar Apostolic of Nyeri, and Bishop Blanchard, of the Mill Hill Fathers Mission and Vicar Apostolic of Kisumu.

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## TRIBUTES TO BRITISH NURSES OVERSEAS.

The Importance of Sending out Ladies.

SIR PHILIP CONLIFFE-LISTER, Secretary of State for the Colonies, supported by Lord Athlone, presided over a meeting of the Royal Empire Society last week, at which addresses were given on the work and difficulties of British nurses overseas. The Overseas Nursing Association, which started with one or two nurses to-day has 2,100 nursing sisters in Government service and nearly 1,000 in private practice in different parts of the Empire.

Lady (Samuel) Wilson spoke most interestingly of the Association which, she complained, was concerned not only with the welfare of the nurses, but also with seeing that they carried out their duties efficiently. Her address which was much appreciated, did not deal specifically with East Africa beyond briefly referring to her time in the territories in 1920.

J. L. Gillett, until recently Director of Medical Services in Kenya, emphasised that the efficiency with which Native dressers often is testimony to the teaching of the sisters, of whose work he could not speak too highly. In Mombasa there are now Native women in charge of wards, and in Kisumu there is great advantage in the local Native Council putting up money for a training ward and brigadier. "We have never regretted the decision to run nursing schools in Native hospitals," he added. "This means that Native women are attracted to the hospitals which is not the case if the staff were solely male, and there's a matter of the utmost importance if we are to make any progress. The efforts of the men to improve their surroundings are futile if they have slaves who are not elevated. The standard of education of the African man is still very low but it is infinitely higher than that of the women and anything we can do to improvement is to the good."

Advice for women and girls has been obtained, and even such visiting has been instructed to carry out falls on the nursing staff, where this is to combat the abysmal ignorance of the Native women, for these believe that diseases comes from the evil influences of wizards or evil spirits. This is a superstition which is held because they do not understand life to be good. Superstition has to be fought. The superstitions of a population which believes that a medicine potent for their own destruction can be manufactured from anything which has formed part of us, has been in close contact with the own bodies, has been on this occasion to let go the imagination. Work of this nature is exceedingly trying; it may seem to be dull and disheartening and the results incomparably with the effort involved, but it is of supreme importance as a civilising factor. Those who are engaged on it have, however, the consolation of knowing that they are carrying out a high Imperial policy.

It can only be undertaken with any hope of success by ladies and, strange to say, the uncivilised Africans just as much as a European lady and appreciate the qualities which fit the make-up of a lady or a gentleman, and therefore I trust the Association to continue to send out ladies. The scope in nursing sides of the life to which we have become accustomed is an ever-widening one, for work among natives, as it is all important that there be no departure from the standard which has been adopted.

## SIR PHILIP CONLIFFE-LISTER

To Meet East Africans in London.

East Africa is able to announce that Sir Philip Coniffe-Lister, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has accepted the invitation to luncheon with the East African Group of the Overseas League shortly after his return from his forthcoming visit to Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika Territory and Zanzibar. The function will probably take place on the first Friday in March.

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CONGRATULATIONS and good wishes to Mr. G. Anderson, who has begun business as a consulting engineer with headquarters in the First Floor, Ashbury Building, Francis Square, E.C. He has had much first-hand experience in the industry in East Africa, having been successively chief engineer and manager of Ruvu Estates, Ltd. In those capacities his life-long experience of engineering served him in good stead, and he has designed, applied and patented a number of important improvements to decorticators. One of his latest inventions is an attachment for automatically grading cotton before it is taken off the machine, thoroughly excluding short fibres from the highest grades.

Convinced by his experience that there was not sufficient cohesion between estate management in Africa and boards of directors in Europe, Mr. Anderson determined to make the advice available to financial interests in the country anxious to be assured that their plantations are being economically and efficiently managed and conducted, while on the other hand, setting out to see estate managers informed on the latest methods for maintaining better and cheaper production. It is his intention to visit Africa at frequent intervals in order to keep thoroughly up-to-date.

## Duplicate Air Services.

Owing to heavy passenger bookings and to large Christmas mails, the Imperial Airways service to "East and South Africa" was duplicated last week between England and Cairo. A similar duplication had to be made with yesterday's outward air mail.

## Members' Garton Seed Year.

Hambros Garton, Ltd., who have a sugar planting interest in Kenya, report a net trading account for the year ended September 30, of £301,458, and after allocating various sums there is a total of £20,070 available for distribution, to which must be added £93,400 carried forward from last year. After paying preference and interim dividends there remains £102,221 which will be dealt with as follows: a final dividend of 6% on 12½% for the year is to be paid, £86,000 is to be distributed among holders of Deferred Shares; £6,000 is to be placed to reserve, and £10,000 to income tax reserve, and £100,851 is to be carried forward.

## Mr. T. C. Powys' Death.

Two Sambari have been arrested in connexion with the murder two years ago of Mr. T. C. Powys, author of "Lady Chatterley's Lover" and son-in-law of Mr. T. F. Powys, the novelist. It will be remembered that parts of his body were found in the bush, and that he was probably have been killed and skinned alive. The police, who have been quietly making investigations, recently discovered that a gun was being sought Sambari tribesmen in connexion with the murders, one being at the spot where Mr. Powys' body was found. It is widely believed that terrorists killed the European to blood-needs, and that his skull was probably taken back to the tribe.

## African Game Protection.

The first meeting of the African Agent International Conference, the representative of African nations, took most importance the appearance of a very useful manual issued by the American Committee for International Wild Life Protection (Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A.). This publication is a compendium of all the available information on existing national laws and existing reserves with notes on certain species needing protection. We may think that similar information can be found anywhere else between the covers, and there is also an excellent bibliography at the end of each section and most informative and well produced large scale maps. All of those concerned with the work which has now been agreed to do in connexion with protection of fauna have not already got a copy of this publication, they would be well advised to repair their omission without delay.

## PRINCE GEORGE TO MEET EAST AFRICANS

At dinner in London next June.

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR JOHN H. DAVIDSON, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., was elected President of the East Africa Dinner Club at the annual meeting last Friday, when Lt.-Col. W. M. Sim was elected Vice-President. The Members of the Committee who re-serve, namely, Lord Crawford, Mr. P. S. Poelzler, Mr. J. G. Grey Leggatt, and Sir Alfred Sherle, were re-elected unanimously. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to Mr. G. A. Hobley, the retiring President.

On the annual dinner to be held at the Savoy Hotel on June 20, 1934, the Club will have the honour of entertaining H.R.H. Prince George, who is shortly leaving to pay a visit to South and Central Africa.

## Citrus Growing in Nyasaland.

Professor Clark-Powell, who recently visited the possibilities of citrus cultivation in Nyasaland, was most encouraging in his report, particularly in the establishment of orchards in certain parts of the Protectorate. As a result of his recommendations the Department of Agriculture has undertaken trial plantings of citrus varieties and budding experiments of good types on rough lemon stocks.

## Imperial Empire Exchange.

The Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Dominions, forwarded to the Government a resolution concerning the declaration of the Empire Delegates to the World Economic Conference of the desirability of mobilising exchanges between Empire countries and the Governments concerned to take early action to effect to their declaration, and with this object to assess as soon as possible an Imperial Monetary Fund.

## Victoria Falls Map.

An excellent coloured map of the Victoria Falls, Livingstone, mounted on rings to fold, drawn on the scale of 1 mile to 2,540 inches, has been issued by Survey Department of Northern Rhodesia. There is also inset on a larger scale a street plan of Livingstone with main buildings showing. This is an admirable publication, and will be of great use to all visitors to the Falls, as well as residents in the capital of Northern Rhodesia. The price is 1/-.

## A. H. Wardle (Uganda), Ltd.

East Africa is able to state that as from January 1 the Kampala business of Messrs. A. H. Wardle & Co., Ltd., the well-known chemists and druggists, will be conducted by a new private company registered in Uganda with a nominal capital of £100,000, under the title of A. H. Wardle (Uganda), Ltd. Mr. Wardle, who has so successfully managed the present Kampala business for some time and who will be managing director of the new company, reached London on October 12, and the new company stands ready to leave for the East Africa a few days later after Christmas.

## East African Estates Report.

East African Estates, Ltd., report a loss during the year ended November 30, of £1,087, making a balance due to shareholders of £5,282. The report states that the amount owing to the standard of East Africa was lightly reduced at the date of the statement, but owing to a disagreement the amount is not yet paid, but will be paid in full. The board will meet on December 18, when the accounts stand ready for examination. Evans Brothers, Ltd., have taken on limited liability on the new company.

## Kenya Rifle Association.

Competitions were held recently by the Kenya Rifle Association involving the use of official Rifle Association small bore match arms and other weapons, the total score of the Kenyan team was 1,245 points, the running up being Trinidad with 1,163 points, individual scores were: Miss G. M. Hartley, Captain J. F. Swaine and Mr. P. J. Chapman, 1st place; F. Lyle and Mr. W. R. Field, 2nd place; Mr. J. C. G. Hartley, 3rd place; Mr. H. Triebel, 162, Mr. G. O. Sturman, 150, and the team was fifth with 1,076.

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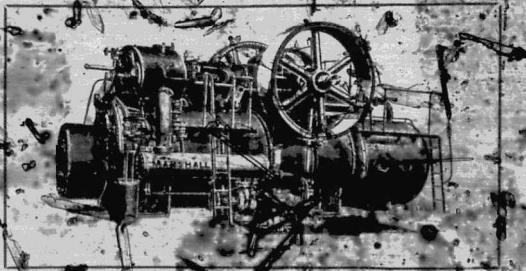
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## "EAST AFRICA'S" INFORMATION BUREAU

"East Africa's" Information Bureau exists for the free service of subscribers and advertisers desiring the Editor's aid on any matter. One of its principal objects is to contribute to the development of British trade throughout East and Central Africa, and any information which readers are willing to give for that purpose will be cordially welcomed.

O'Dwyer Estates, Ltd., of Nakuru, has been wound up voluntarily. The assets reduced to £1,021, were valued at £6,017 during October.

East African Goldfields, Ltd., announce that Sir Albert Kison has joined their board.

The estimates for Northern Rhodesia for 1933 place the revenue at £1,200,000 and the expenditure at £705,325.

The Forestry Branch in Northern Rhodesia is being reorganized in accordance of a long-range policy of development.

Messrs. R. S. Chambers & Company, Ltd., have taken over the Mombasa Southern Warehouse Co., Ltd., in liquidation.

A five-month-old baby recently accompanied her mother in an Imperial Airways' machine from Broken Hill to Germiston.

H.M.S. "Hawkins," flagship of the West Indies Squadron, which has frequently visited East African ports, will be in Calcutta.

Customs receipts at Mombasa for September amounted to £1,251,12, compared with £2,275 during the corresponding period of 1932.

With Mr. Boekelman, manager of theabora Railways, Mombasa, was recently digging in his compound he found a pile of forty-twoabora sovereigns.

Messrs. Rangeley and Hall have begun a fresh campaign against elephant marauders in the neighbourhood of Port Jameson, where they were successful last year.

*L'Echo de la Brousse* states on the authority of the Société Minière du Mumanga et de Kigali, that tin has been found in considerable quantities on the properties held by the company.

The estimated cost of the Department of Agriculture of Northern Rhodesia during 1933 shows a decrease of £24,000 since 1931-2. The Department has in fact receded to the 5-6 basis.

Gold exports from Tanganyika during the first nine months of this year amounted to 29,34 oz. valued at £146,829. The corresponding figures for last year were 25,70 oz. and £127,928.

The Mozambique Government is considering a proposal to form a commission to organize the Colony's participation in the Portuguese Colonial Exhibition in Oporto in July and August next.

Port Jameson lies in a basin surrounded by hills, and to assist aviators in finding the place a reflector signal has been placed on a prominent hill. It is understood this is the first reflector signal to be placed in Rhodesia.

The Nairobi Local Boy Scout Association now has under control nine Scout troops comprising 295 boys. In Nairobi itself there are five European, three Indian, three while there is an African troop in Kikuyu.

The lantern slides, including some of East Africa previously owned by the Empire Marketing Board, have been acquired by the Victoria League, 81 Cromwell Road, S.W.7, from which they may be borrowed by lecturers and schools.

It is estimated that the labour requirements of Tanganyika during the next few years will be about 250,000 Natives, which figure, according to Mr. T. E. Mitchell, Secretary for Native Affairs, represents by no means excessive demand upon a population of five million Natives.

The City Bank (D.C. & O.) recommend the payment of a final dividend at the rate of 8% on the cumulative Preference shares, and at the rate of 4% on the ordinary on the "A" and "B" shares, making the distribution for the latter class 4½ per annum. From each of these dividends income tax at the rate of 15 s. 2d. in the £ will be deducted.

Urging that the Treaty of St. Germain-en-Laye should be denounced, Sir Henry Fox-Croft, M.P., who has farms in the U.K., Kenya, and in Manchester recently: "Make sure of your Empire markets while you can, the French and Germans stand no nonsense in their colonies; they do not allow the world to drive them out. Why should we?"

Exports from Tanganyika for the first nine months of this year amounted to £1,728,376, compared with £1,508,761 for the corresponding period of 1932. Imports in the same period amounted to £1,228,593, again £1,235,919 in 1932. Customs import revenue from January to October, 1933, amounted to £3,708, or about £1,413 over that for the corresponding period of 1932.

An ingenious insect trap, constructed on the lines of the Harris tsetse fly trap, has been installed at the Whipsnade Zoo. It is built in the form of a couple of heavy plates placed one over the other, like an empty book cover, and leads to large wire cage at the back. The object of the trap is to attract gadflies, which cause considerable discomfort to giraffes and other animals.

## EAST AFRICAN STOCK AND SHARE PRICES

We have received the following prices by air mail from Nairobi:

	Last week	This week
E. A. Power and Lighting Ltd.	5s. 50cts.	32s. 50cts.
Eldoret Mining and G.	18s. 50cts.	19s.
Eldoret Karamoja, Uganda	12s.	12s.
Kenya Consolidated Rubber Estates	5s.	5s.
Kenya Gold Mining Sons Ltd.	5s.	5s.
Kohi Petroleum	30s.	30s.
Nyanza Gold Min. Co. Ltd.	30s.	30s.
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## EAST AFRICAN MARKET REPORTS

BY J. E. FEE

DEMAND continued at last week's auctions for good fine qualities at firm prices, the low grades had mostly been retired.

## Berries

A " sizes  
B " sizes  
C " sizes  
Peeberry  
Brown

55s. od. to 150s. od.  
85s. od. to 65s. od.  
11s. od. to 12s. od.  
58s. od. to 15s. od.  
40s. od. to 5s. od.

## Fruit

London cleaned  
First sizes  
Second sizes  
Third sizes  
Peeberry

55s. od. to 74s. od.  
44s. od. to 55s. od.  
55s. od. to 40s. od.  
40s. od.

## Mangoes

London cleaned  
First size, good to fine  
Second sizes  
Third sizes  
Peeberry

90s. od. to 135s. od.  
50s. od. to 71s. od.  
45s. od.  
115s. od. to 134s. od.

## Kilimanjaro

A " size  
C " size  
Peeberry  
London cleaned  
Third size

75s. od.  
58s. od.  
35s. od.  
40s. od.

## Oranges

London cleaned  
First size, pulpy  
Third size

55s. od.  
44s. od.

## Brushes

A " size  
B " size  
C " size  
Peeberry

60s. od. to 76s. od.  
52s. od.  
45s. od.  
58s. od. to 60s. od.

## Lemons

London cleaned  
First sizes  
Second sizes  
Third sizes  
Peeberry

64s. od. to 64s. od.  
50s. od. to 51s. od.  
46s. od.  
64s. od. to 65s. od.

## Chillies

London graded

1s. 6d. Brown

## Third size

## London cleaned

## Second size

London stocks of East African coffees on December 11 totalled 184,490 bags, compared with 47,105 bags on the corresponding date of last year.

During the first nine months of this year Germany imported 1,000 metric tons of coffee from Kenya and 178 tons from Uganda.

Baw coffee imports into the S.S.A. during September included: Kenya, 12,000 cwt. £277,465; Tanganyika, 4,523 cwt. £18,834. Coffee exports from the U.K. during the month included the following quantities: Kenya, 1,718 tons (£6,000); Uganda, 75 cwt. (£55); Tanganyika, 958 cwt. (£5,850).

## OTHER MARKETS

**Beef**—Steady but quiet, with sellers offering Dar Salaha for shipment at 88s. 6d. 1932, 100s. od. 1933.

**Castor Seed**—Steady at 1s. 6d. per ton. 103s. 11s. 10s. 1931; £12 10s.

**Chillies**—Quiet, with Mombasa spot Jan.-Feb. offered at 40s. to spot quoted 45s. to 50s. according to quality.

1932: 45s. to 50s.

**Coffee**—Quiet, Zahoor spot quoted 1s. 6d. and 1s. 11d. 1933; 1s. 6d. 1932.

**Copper**—The standard market is much improved at 75s. 6d. each, and electric steel at 3s. 10s. to 2s. 11d. per ton. The tariff super-duty being 10s. 10s. 6d. per ton. 1932 and 1931: £14 10s.

**Cotton**—Moderate business has been passing at 1s. 6d. per lb. 1932 and 1931: 6d.

Final crop estimates of the U.S.A. Department of Agriculture for the 1933-4 season is 13,477,000 bales of cotton, or 21% above the 1932-3 season, and 20% below the average for 1928-32. The anticipated yield is 209.4 lb. per acre, the highest since 1913, with the exception of

Cotton Seeds—minimally 2s. per lb. 1932: 6s. 10s. 6d.

**Gold**—Steady at 127s. per oz.

Gold exports from Kenya during August amounted to 1,080 oz., of which 1,023 oz. came from Kakamega. During the corresponding month of last year Kakamega produced 1511 oz.

**Groundnuts**—Rather better at 2s. 2s. 6d. per ton. 1932: 2s. 11s. 10s. 1931: 2s. 10s.

**Hides and Skins**—Markets are neglected. Goatskins are dear and costly.

**Skins**—White and/or yellow is steady at 1s. per ton. 1932 and 1931: 1s. 4s.

**Tea**—Ethiopia with buyers in 1933: 1s. for Dec. Feb. 1934; 5s. 6d. per ton. Market at £26 15s. per ton. Reb. April shipments also sold at £25 15s., and No. 2 for Nov. Jan. at £24 17s. 6d.; No. 2 for Jan. March is quoted at £25, and No. 3 at £24 16s. 6d. 1932: £24 15s. 1931: £24 17s. 5s.

Kenya exported 1,015 tons of sisal during September and 2,086 tons in October. Tanganyikan sisal exports during November amounted to 6,100 tons.

**Tin**—Firmer at about £228 7s. 6d. per ton.

**Wool**—Spine 200 bales of Kenya clips sold at the recent auctions at firm prices. Bradford tops, 64s., sold at 30d., and 46s. 1s. 6d. per lb. 1932: 2s. 1d. average 10-12 months clips sold at 2s. 1d. and average snow white at 2s. 6d. per lb.

## RAINFALL IN EAST AFRICA.

H.M. Eastern African Dependencies' Trade and Information Office in London has received the following details of rainfall in the territories during the period indicated.

**Kenya (week ended November 28)**—Elgeuwa, 6s. 6d. inch; Fort Hall, 7s. 6d.; Kabete, 2s. 4s.; Kiamumbi, 1s. 6d.; Kisumu, 1s. 30s.; Luru, 1s. 9s.; Machakos, 1s. 9s.; Matungu Road, 1s. 40s.; Makindu, 4s. 9s.; Moiben, 1s. 6s.; Mombasa, 2s. 2s.; Nairobi, 2s. 10s.; Nakuru, 1s. 6s.; Ngong, 1s. 40s.; Njoro, 1s. 8s.; Nyeri, 2s. 8s.; Riumuruti, 1s. 5s.; Simba, 4s. 5s.; Thika, 2s. 6s.; Tsoa, 1s. 6s.; Voi, 1s. 2s. inches.

**Tanganyika (week ended November 26)**—Butiama, 0.27 inch; Mbibebi, 0.40s.; Fort Portal, 0.70s.; Hoima, 2s. 7s.; Jinja, 0.60s.; Abalebi, 0.60s.; Kabole, 0.52s.; Lira, 0.50s.; Masaka, 1s. 1s.; Mbbara, 0.63s.; Mubende, 0.70s.; Namasagali, 0.72s.; Totora, 0.80 inch.

**Tanzania (week ended November 26)**—Amanzi, 5s. 6d. millimetres; Arusha, 0.80s.; Bagamoyo, 7s. 2s.; Bokwala, 2s. 4s.; Dar es Salaam, 3s. 00s.; Arigoma, 2s. 35s.; Mbeya, 2s. 70s.; Morogoro, 3s. 3s.; Mwanza, 1s. 11s.; Tabora, 3s. 32s.; Tanga, 5s. 8s.; Utete, 4s. 60 millimetres.

**Southern Rhodesia (week ended November 28)**—Bulawayo, 1s. 2s. 50s.; Bulawayo Que, 6s. 6s.; Gatooma, 5s. 18s.; Salisbury, 3s. 15s.; Selukar, 4s. 6s. inches.

## NEWS OF OUR ADVERTISERS.

Messageries Maritimes announce that their fares from Antwerp to East African ports remain unaltered.

Imperial Airways announce that in future their arrival and departure station in Paris will be at Airway Terminus, Rue des Invalides, Paris.

Union Castle steamer on the East African Service are henceforth to call at Tangier. Fares from England will be £10 for first-class and 5s. second-class, but between May and September a reduced return fare of £13 10s. first-class will be in operation.

The British India Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., has issued a new coloured map of East Africa, copies of which may be obtained from the company at 122, Keightley Street, London, E.C. 3, or from Messrs. Smith, Elder & Co., Ltd.'s offices in the East African territories. Railways, harbours, railways, and motorroads are shown.

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THE s.s. "Dunluce Castle," which left Mombasa on November 11, and arrived in England on December 8, brought the following passengers:

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Miss Birch Reynardson  
Miss Birch Reynardson

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Miss Hyde Clarke  
Father Simon  
Mr. R. H. Clegg

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Mrs. L. B. G. Scott  
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The report of Essoyan Ltd. to nine last states that the working loss was £2,280, including £1,333 incurred by purchase of 1,000 tons of working oil. The total debit balance is now £4,874. The Company has secured an option on the Sultan Diamond Mine and work has started.

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"Madura" left Dar es Salaam outwards, Dec. 15.  
"Matiana" paid Perim outwards, Dec. 15.  
"Saro" left Port Said for Bombay, Dec. 15.  
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**GRANVILLE SCHAFFER.** In Secret Hiding Places.

### Unconfirmed Appointments

*(Notified entirely Without Authority)*

**THE RT. HON. E. S. AMERY.** To be High Commissioner for Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika Territory. A new appointment.

**MAJOR K. A. BROWN.** To be Under-Secretary (unpaid) of the Nairobi Passenger Transport Board.

**MR. J. H. BRIDGER.** To be Hon. Jacobin Thrower to the Colonial Secretary.

**COLONEL COLIN HARVEY.** For Major Ringler.

**MR. "TAMMY" HATELY.** To be Grand Master of the Lodge of Roch Nest.

**MR. K. W. HOLROYD.** To be Super Game Warden East Africa. For next year's appointment.

**MR. W. J. LEE.** To be first Chairman of the Kenya Appointments Board.

**MR. F. H. MELLANBY.** To the Archbishops' Coroner of Africa.

**CAPTAIN M. M. MORRISON.** To be Warden of Serengeti National Park.

**MRS. S. S. MURRAY.** Forster Commissioner on Sleeping Sickness.

**MR. A. B. THOMSON.** To succeed as Old King Coal.

**MAJOR CONRAD D. WALSH.** To the board of Wiggleworth & Co., Ltd.

### It was Christmas Day in Nairobi!

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And one of the days in the year  
When men's hearts are full of gladness,  
And the world is well-beaten.

When out came a fresh Commission.

To study some problem great,  
And the settlers groaned in anguish,

And enlisted a yinn of ate.

The Commissioners motored madly  
From one to another spot;

They don't quite much knowledge,  
But they aired their views a lot.

They pestered the peaceful planters,  
And the cattle breeders, big and small,

Then they printed teams of platitudes,  
And the settlers threatened squalls.

This angered the great Commission.

And it got superior like,

And talked of "paramount income tax,"  
Till the settlers went on strike.

They swore to-night to the ultimate man,

And die in the uttermost ditch—

Then they offered a tax on income,  
And thought they had queered the pitch!

### The Lion and the Mail Bag

The lion ate the mail bag. He then attacked the mail bag savagely, and scattered the contents in all directions. A wild attack of bushfire followed as complications clearing many of the bags letters. We have received a few of the epistles from unknown writers to equally unknown addressees.

The first was obviously from a District Officer to His Provincial Commissioner. It ran—

"Sir—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 346231A, (undated), and to reply to your would respectfully point out that I know the natives of this district continually, when you, sir, situated in the Olympian heights of your *boma*, and surrounded by savagans, were ready to set foot in it, however, if possible, true, you have stayed long enough in my country to get acquainted with Native customs. If I may say so with utter respect, Sir, it is the custom to lay out golf courses and training men to be efficient golfers does not exactly suit you to lay down the law about the marriage customs of the Amur. Your remarks must be apposite for the Bushmen near your own *boma*, but, of that, I can judge."

Unfortunately the fragment was all that was saved. The lion apparently saved the D.P.O. from early retribution.

### A MISSIONARY SUB-BEAT

Next a letter appeared, which was a lady mission to a sisal station, by boat.

"Dear Friends. It was indeed good to you to send such a fine donation, though I fear that the *beautifull* gifts sent will not be of much use to our converts, but I daresay shall find a use for them. Your words of encouragement are very much appreciated by all in the field, but I somehow think the picture which you have in your mind about the primitive discomforts of our lives are exaggerated. We do not live in mud tents, transitory, primitive huts, nor do we live in mud houses in new villages, nor have we puddings."

agents put us at home, because here, in a land of sunshine, we try to keep the sun out of our horses (but not, of course, out of our lives!). In the garden there is a riotous blaze of colour."

Then there was a communication from a settler who seemed annoyed with the proprietor of some local store. Only the middle part of his effusion was found. That was regrettable, for he seemed to be warming up quite nicely to his climax.

"... and anyhow it would be no earthly good my sending you a cheque, as that shenai a bank manager would only swallow it and spit it." (His last letter it must have made a good pair with yours.) That reminds me that, in my opinion all you middlemen are little better than parasites. Deny if you can that producers are the backbone of the country. And deny if you can that your prices are exorbitant. And the goods you supply often what we don't want? You store and fence-walks don't know what it is to do an honest day's work. I'd like to have you on this shamba for a month. On second thoughts, don't take that threat as an invitation."

Disappointing that the lion's claws had torn the last to shreds.

#### WHAT IS EAST AFRICA ANYHOW?

Then there was a very cryptic little scrap. "But I don't understand your reference to East Africa, which seems to have got your goat—though I never dreamt you had any incentive to be taken aback so I don't see why you need worry. But what is East Africa anyway? I have never heard of it."

There is no name or address in this case either, so we can neither chase the writer for a sub, nor suggest his looking up Psalms xvi. 11.

Another note was almost intact. It read—

"Strictly between ourselves, the old Colonel is going to talk about waffle at the next meeting of the Association. He'll have to be kept under somehow, so, since the old blighter went T. T. (on doctor's orders, of course) he has become quite mad. It will be all blab! Blab! The worst of it is that one would like to support him for giving beans to the committed with their lordshiply attitude. How the devil they were ever elected, I can't think. Bribery or else vote at the cross roads, I suppose. But one can't associate himself with that pompous ass even to get rid of them they might get up on himself!" Can you think of a blood stick to beat them with? After all, it was that jackal of a secretary who said that your shambas are filthy and disgraceful, your neighbours are all the last gymkhana, and that you're not meant for your wife either.

#### OUNCES TO THE TON.

The next was more cheery, but also more obscure by which one could identify the author. I suppose we'll know when it's published.

"We皎皎 to talk about pennyweights on this claim, my son. We talk about ounces to the ton. Never saw anything like it from Rhodesia to the Limpopo. Look after the horses, say I, and let the pennyweights look after themselves."

Finally there was part of a postcard, while some of the words:

"Merry Christmas to you, and better luck than ever than you have ever had yet. Heaven knows that's what we'll need. So here's how!"

Final postscript as I guess said,

#### Noel, Noel!

The winter is upon us,  
Where midwinter descends  
And the days of coffee troubles  
Are indeed amanensis.  
The winter days are coming,  
To Christmas sealing bell,  
The seasons on the shambas  
Sing out "Good Nowell."

## Follow Up!

### A Toast

HERE'S to the men who blazed the trail,  
Livingstone, Thomson, Speke.  
Here's to the men who blazed our trail,  
To lake and snow-capped peak.  
Wonder explorers, gone to their rest.  
Giants among great men, some of our best.

*Follow up!*

Here's to the men who blazed the trail,  
Baker, Hannington, and others.  
Here's to the men who blazed our trail,  
Lightening black men's loads.  
Bringers of progress to their rest.  
Giants among great men, some of our best.

*Follow up!*

Here's to the men who blazed the trail,  
Gordon, Stanley, Sengbus.  
Here's to the men who blazed our trail,  
Making desert bloom anew.  
Opening a continent, gone to their rest.  
Giants among great men, some of our best.

*Follow up!*

Here's to the men who blazed the trail,  
Jackson, Johnston and Steere.  
Here's to the men who blazed our trail,  
Stout hearts and void of fear.  
Laying foundations, gone to their rest.  
Giants among great men, some of our best.

*Follow up!*

And now to the army of great unknown,  
Clearing paths for our sake,  
Losing on looking up, dying alone.  
From fever, elephantiasis.  
Those who followed them oft fine heard.  
They left the star of a white man's word.

*Follow up!*

Here's to all those who blindfold sought  
And cried "So little done."  
They kept on till the work they wrought  
Was well nigh half put in.  
One cried, "There's so much to do."  
It's up to us to come and you.

*Follow up!*

Think on this, lads! They blazed the trail.  
This was our land before them.  
Blaze of a blazed, we caused the trail.  
It's true we did not forget them.  
All what do they catch for?  
What have they gained?  
Those who to darkness brought light;  
They did be worthy of all they endured.  
They were patched, but finally cured.  
They could set on with the fight!

*Follow up!*

### Herr Hitler's Christmas Toast

Heil! East Africa!

## The Prisoners of Nzenda. Lays of Ancient Livingstone.

### A Christmas Day Table.

CHRISTMAS DAY in Nzinda, the capital of the Kenya Protectorate, was marked by a great gathering from all the neighbouring Dependencies. Men who had been, as it were, prisoners of the captivity during the stamp were making merry because happy days had come again. At Christmas they would cast off care and be cheery.

"We have turned the blooming corner," elbowed a Kenya settler, and a Tanganyika Planter shouted his approval. "Agreed," said a merchant from Uganda, and a Nyasaland Farmer in unison: "Cast off care and from the Northern Rhodesian copperfields."

The Chairman felt that he had better accept the resolution which he had not put; but, determined not to be robbed of the right of speech, he cleared his throat and said: "That is carried. We have turned the corner; but when one has reached that point it is only natural curiosity to try to see what lies ahead. The horizon still seems rather dim and misty, but as far as I can see the path ahead is not an easy one, and it appears to wind up hill all the way. It is not going to be easy to take ourselves and our heavily loaded carts up that hill. What does the meeting suggest?"

"I think co-operation is indicated," a business man had begun, when a Governor remarked that that was exactly what he had advocated for years. "I am ready for anyone to co-operate with me," agreed a planter. "Hang it all, mind you co-operate with us," shouted a digger, but a missionary tactfully suggested that all should co-operate with all. "Good for the padre," chipped in one of the professional men. "Let him have the place of honour at the end of the rope, and we'll all hang together."

### Co-Operation.

They heaved, and heaved, and heaved, but the heavy vehicle hardly shifted. After awhile they rested and looked at it in despair.

"Couldn't we help?" queried some hefty dark men who had hitherto been silent. "We are strong, and can pull like anything. There are quite a lot of us."

"Good for the muti," shouted a digger joyfully. "He'll give us a haul!"

The white men watched hopefully and encouragingly while the swarthy brown bodies strained, in a disorganized manner, to pull the cart out of the ruts, but though they put their hearts into the task and pulled till their brown bodies glistened with sweat, the result was negligible, and when the creaked wheels settled down again in the ruts.

"What about joining forces?" asked one of those who shall be nameless. "Someone or other of these fellows and show them how to use their strength. We whites, though few in number, with our learning and experience can join in and set in a sample. Let us try a united and organised effort. That's paramount."

"She moves she moves," they cried delightedly. "That's the stuff to give your troops. This is the time to get a move on. Tell all the planteers. Good old padre! He tells you when to hunt. Heavy load and away we go. Fighting with the hill."

The chairman noted and knew when a halt was called. "Look about," he gasped. "The mist is lifting, and the road ahead looks much less steep."

I. LEOPOLD of Livingstone  
I know not, but swear,  
The great North of Rhodesia  
Shall live alone no more.  
By mighty atoms swole it,  
And named the trysting day,  
And bade the M.L.C.'s drive forth,  
North-East, Rail belt, and Copper North,  
To summon their array.

Hurling o'er wagon-wounded road,  
The M.L.C.'s bump fast,  
Municipality and village  
Have heard the Claxon's blast.  
Shame on the false Rhodesian!  
Who suns down on his stoep,  
When such a valiant veteran  
Gives tongue, and cries a whoop.  
Now from the Broken Mine  
Can the wan burghers spy  
serried line of Native clerks  
Blacken the noon-day sky.  
The Fathers of the City,  
They sit all day and night  
For Africantion  
Fills them with sore affright.

II. Lionel's homely barbers  
In Albert's crowded bar  
Strong silent men stand talking  
(Some talk for half an hour).  
Cannies stir uneasy,  
But from all who hardly die  
A long "Aye" makes the welkin ring  
Some call, once more, "L.I."

When the farmer plants his mealies  
And the rancher dips his beasts,  
When men talk at settlers' meetings  
Or sit them down at feasts,  
They tell the tale of oratory.  
Fierce Leo's varying moods  
How brave the hardy he played at bridge,  
In the guard's van of a Goods.

### Fragments.

TAM PIERCE. Tam's creel is full old Ford,  
All along on along, down along,  
For Kakamega I'm going toward,  
With Bill Broke, Peter Prospect, Samson,  
Search, Dick, Dolly, Harry Adit,  
Old Uncle, Old Hopeful and all,  
Old Uncle, Old Hopeful and all.

### III.

D've ken John Smith  
With his face serene,  
As he dreams of the dip  
And the soya beans,  
But he won't find jessie  
On a Sunnis green,  
For the star far away from Rhodesia  
Will you walk into my fly trap?"  
Said Swynerton to fly,  
"It's the cutest new contraption  
You ever did espouse,  
And a much better one than Artis,  
In which to go to die."

**Tests to Measure Intelligence.***African Reader.**To the Editors, East Africa.*

SIR.—I am particularly interested in the reports given in your steaming paper about Dr. H. L. Gordon's measurements of the brains of Africans in Kenya, and Sir, I think it would be a meritorious act if the Honourable Director of Medical Services would not only examine brains of African gentlemen but also of European gentlemen in his country. The mentality of these is most puzzling to me and my friends, giving rise to great discussions of heat.

We think, Sir, that while many, such as my own *bwana*, are very clever gentlemen, showing proficiency in normal behaviour and enjoying high mentality for a white man, others might be called *mentally*. Even my own *bwana* aberrates conspicuously on occasion, being fanatically congenital on subject of punctuality, and also joining with others in senseless hitting and pursuing golf ball to great detriment of equitable temper.

But, Sir, what troubles most is the incongruity of Honourable members, *the Council* of which we read in local rag. It supplies us with most complete mystification, the opposite remarks they make one with another, and the imposing consensus of disagreement appears super-normal in extreme degree. We feel that each must have tongue severely impeded in cheek when coming after members honourable with simultaneous casting diverse imputations on acts and motives.

Also, Sir, we find the *bwana* come and go in missions, telling us much differing stories on many points, such as polygamous marriage, beer drinking, and the so on. The things the *bwana* on the *shapitas* say on the Police are very strong words with which we are not entirely in disagreement, but the Police *carriers* use much similar wordings about these *bwana* also, so that we feel confusion as to which of these classes has brains that spark on all their cylinders and which may more properly be called *mentally*.

Then, Sir, if I do not exceed unduly your space, which is probably short at this costive season, we wish to point out that we find many white men, and nearly all white women, excessively slow in understanding—besides being foolish of action and method—with many reactions subnormal and of great density. It is not only misunderstanding of languages as we learn to follow their speech and speak as they do, but there is most complete failure of correct thinking that makes things so difficult. Also, store *bwana* and many others are distressingly abstuse, of complex, and therefore large that immediate examination of brain capacity and contents will, and also possible influence of nature and nurture, be undertaken in interests of good government. I beg to urge.

*Zimbabwe.* Yours faithfully,*Gustavus.* RAMSEY ROBERTSON KANANGA

P.S.—I fear ordinary intelligence tests utterly applicable in "cases" indicated as any will agree who have seen white man trying to find his way in bush or build hut without hammer, nails and other utilitarian gadgets.

P.S.—Perhaps Sir, as this is the season of goodwill to all men, you would show that Christian spirit in sending you a simple African suitable adequate Christmas present. From Zimbabwa I would not consider the bicycle being unfortunately damaged with the loss of many oxen on a recent day due to the wild African climate.

**Answers to Correspondents.**

*Anon.*—Unsigned letters are reprinted, but you need not sign yours now. Save the stamps in future; it may help you to pay your bills.

*Pianists.*—Fire away. We are not pianists, only editors at whom it is still legitimate to shoot, even when they are doing their best.

*Big Game Hunting.*—Laterly you'll see someone who doesn't know his East Africa. Now we'll see one in return. Why was the Nutted bear?

*Anti.*—No, you and your car occupied after the fence you should leave it and walk home. The fresh air will cool you.

*Share Albert.*—Your dream of seeing the *Upesupesi* shows up in a shilling and enabling you to get away with too much interesting. We once had a dream like that, but we woke up before writing to the papers—or even to our brokers—about it.

*Nairobi.*—We understand that Mr. Walt Disney is too busy just now to go out and study the Leg Co. at work, even though he has a new *Silly Symphony*.

*Old Haifa, Mysore.*—Looping the Lupa with Lucy may be right but it might be wiser to do how things part out. We'll give you a ring of day, anyhow—but a *lakshmi* diamond one, none the worse on the wireless side, though it is still a bit too dear.

*B.R. Bangweulu.*—Glad you have found a new Jacobine monster on your lake, as Joseph Edward said the *Chipekwe* is "ries". From what we hear of a *Mulungushi* monster seen between Bonn's and Rayton's at Broken Hill on Christmas Eve, Loch Ness will have to look to its laurels.

*U. Nursing, Ujiji.*—We think your mare is suffering from drybacs. You might try spraying her with *Centella asiatica*. To make this, take four whisky bottles (empty first) of Castor oil; dissolve in it 1 lb. of *Phytolacca acinosa* and a like amount of *Centella asiatica*; then heat to boiling point and continue heating until it begins to foam (the mixture—not the mare). Then remove rapidly from the fire and dilute with water. (Our dietary sub-editor being on holiday has just been informed by our social sub., who claims to be one of a horseman, don't you know?—Ed.) E.A.

*Cristalised, Fiji.*—You have been writing in a pickle, haven't you?

*Constant Reader.*—Thanks; we hope to do better and better, and our New Year resolve is that we will do so. Unlike most New Year resolves, this one will be steadily maintained. Salaams!

**Statements Worth Nothing.**

"I thought Amani was a shampoo."—Lady B.C. Body's wife of the well-known M.P. who is now visiting East Africa.

"We must trust the man on the spot."—R.U. Original, at a recent bandage.

"Concessionaires can have Kakamega. The Lupa is ours."—Colonel Hardinge (of the Diggers), speaking in Mysore.

"Half the greed in Kenya is due to the moving of the capital from Mombasa to Nairobi."—The Hon. Olaf D. Koester, speaking in Kimemia.

"The beauty of Zimbabwe is still unspoiled."—A Black tyre merchant, writing to a colleague in Limpopo.

"The gravest shadows and others denizens of the primeval forest, with its high banks."—Mrs. Gustav-Wolfe-Wolfe, describing her trip on the Great North Road. ("Her no sedate woman had ever been before to such a wild place.")

"When I see the poor Negro going barefoot to school, I think of my great Imperial responsibilities."—M. Hall-Browne, M.P. for the Central African constituency of the Standard Bank, London, and Northern Rhodesia.

## MATTERS FOR LIGHTER MOMENTS.

The great debt which East Africa owes to Science has always been freely acknowledged in our columns. We therefore naturally welcome the advance—**which we can now announce—** represented by the isolation of two hitherto unrecorded microbes. One of them, *Complex antikutta*, had long defied the patience of investigators. This virulent microbe has been found in different hogs, one of which is known as the *Nomopeltis*, while another is as yet designated merely by the symbol X. *P.W.D.* There are also distinct traces of it in *Olivetta*, and to a lesser degree, in *Ro Dau B.* and *In surjumarris*. The second of the elusive microbes, described provisionally as *Aigiallact*, has appeared over a lengthy period and with alarming persistence in such bodies as *Legea* and *Kibashun*. It is relatively dormant at present, threatening and the like, but apt to quicken notably when brought under the influence of increased taxation and inadequate economies; experience shows that a fierce stimulus is provided for it by hidden allowances, ostentatious travel, and pernicious privileges. We may not yet be within sight of the correct prophylactic for either of these two microbes, but we feel sure that our readers will welcome our exclusive news that both have been isolated, and will join with us in the hope that the isolation may prove permanent.

East Africa is the home of great ideas, sounds platitudinous, for it is generally attributed to Ptolemy, who was definitely one of **GREAT IDEAS.** the Old Guard and is now a bit of a back number in consequence. But

even platitudes, much as we honor them, are a basis of truth which is why they become platitudes. There seems to be a positive glut of—and if a poor journalist cannot write more journalese in his Christmas Number, when can he?—we reiterate that there has been a positive plethora of good, and even grand, ideas—on coffee, sisal, tea, missions, teese, Natives (with twenty subheads), transport, publicity, cinemas, wireless. But we wonder, call so quietly to His Majesty's Secretary of State as he flies from flower to flower in the East African tropics, that's a pretty metaphor—will realize that even the greatest ideas are *no damida* (as they say in Zimbaro) unless some one writes them down. This important leading note was going splendidly thus far, as is evident to any intellect, but then we had to add over three telephones at once, think of more, and even more people, answer a few correspondence, and placate printers howling for more copy. Fortunately Jeesus (as I know) Colonel Jones, of Uganda, came to hand, grasping the situation, offered to finish off the note, so the rest is not our pigeon. He has been asked to keep it short, not to exceed another two hundred words. In fact, less than the chaff from the grain, and then to milk the grain into fine sustenance. (Green again here, go on!) though some people prefer husks to bread. This slimming cult thus hits Kenya, which farmers, but benefits our grain, and we could afford to export the stuff. Then again, what do we do with our rhinoceros skins in East Africa? We eat the bananas, may not export the skins? There are pavements for them in Downing Street, it will prove the need for immediate self-government. (Read right here: *short!*)

### *The Fragrant Hour: January 1, 1934:*

(With Apologies to Wilhelmina Stet)

HAVE you looked through the window in the morn, and seen the first faint flushing of the dawn; first roseate light on golden pawpaw ripe, and heard the distant calling of the crane; heard garden boy's eternal morning laugh, the first *toto*'s irritating laugh? In the matinal cigarettes and waited for the tea that comes not yet, thoughts of the dawn that breaks on all your past mistakes? Then looked at Jan. One Nineteen Thirty Four and prayed for better luck, and so much more.

None left alone in these hopes and regrets. Others have staked and others lost their bets. You have your troubles, they, too, have their own. You're not the one dog with a snubbed bone. Look then past the dawn, forget the night. Let morning, tub remove all trace of night. Sweep cobwebs from the sky, and give a halo to those whose cars are still stuck in the sand. Self-pity never helped a single man, it's but also balm for those who else are. So if you want to struggle to the long smile, rely on good Nineteen Thirty Four.

### *Christmas Gifts.*

Scrooge that has scorned the Christmas spirit, he gives despised meat; yet Dickens taught us, if we hearken, that Christmas lightens, does not

darken. Even if the gift forlorn, the offering of sheer *emui* born, is folly, idiocy unalloyed, it may help someone unemployed.

But if with idle fiver, quid or mad crown—a dollar bid; perhaps half-crown, humble bob, a tanner, penny or a bob, we can in some degree abate life's troubles or alleviate another's sorrows, let us spend and someone's dark dream moment end; bring to some life a ray of light on Christmas morn; that but for kindly gift or thought could not be born.

### *Epilogue.*

ONCE more the mirror of pantomime appears between our somewhat serious pages. Another year goes down the path of Time. To join the great assembly of the ages. To voice a prayer—echoed in every nation—That through East Africa this year we may see scenes of glorious transformation. And that the fairy of the New Year to start at *Hihi?* *Shambala!* *Kenya!* *Uganda!* *Tanganyika!* *Wahinga!* *Uganda!* *Kenya!* *Shambala!* *Hihi?* And have we brought it off? Is it even worth while?

Let us all the spirit of Goodwill and Hope, Rich and Charity. These will remain and the final curtain.

## PERSONALIA

Mr. Davidson, the geologist, has returned to his original post at Muluhra Mine.

Mr. W. C. Hunter has been appointed a member of the Kenya Land Board.

Colonel and Mrs. Bedford-Tom, the Cheringau settlers, are shortly expected in England.

Boat voyage to Sir Alfred Sharpe, who leaves London to-morrow, to return to Nyasaland.

We regret to hear of the death in Nairobi of Mr. Edward Hayes, the well-known Kenya jockey.

Mr. R. Kingley Brice recently addressed the Norwich Rotary Club on Tanganyika Territory.

Colonel W. R. G. Cannon, D.S.O., who formerly served with the King's African Rifles, has just retired.

The Rev. Father Rivierre of the Montfort Marist Mission has left Nyasaland after twenty-eight years service.

Mr. Thorne Thorne recently won the Uganda Golf Championship, beating Mr. Davidson in the final by one and three-quarters holes.

Major C. L. Walsh leaves London on December 28 for Tanganyika, from which he expects to return in March.

Colonel B. E. Murray, D.S.O., has been to Uganda and Somaliland recently and is now on the retired list.

Sir Auckling Seelye, Chairman of the Rhodesia Corporation, has been visiting the Northern Rhodesian copperfields.

Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Stewart Sykes and Sir Philip Chiffle-Lister were received in audience by the King last week.

Commander H. Granville Wells and Major Wells, who recently visited Kenya, are now on a tour of Southern Rhodesia.

Captain C. F. Logan, a former King's African Rifles' officer, has taken up land in the North Nairobi district of Tanganyika.

The marriage took place last week in Osted of Mr. H. W. Clutton, of British Somaliland, to Miss Isabella Scott, a Merle.

Mrs. J. D. McDonald, a selected Captain of the Blantyre Sports club, for the coming season, with Mr. T. Hindley Vice-chairman.

Mr. W. L. Smith, Staff Officer in the Tanganyika Police Force, was married yesterday in Salala on Tuesdays to Miss Mary Hinchliffe Barnes.

Congratulations to Mrs. Ursula Thorne, wife of Mr. Richard Thorne, of the Tanganyika Police, on the birth last week in Athiwood, of twin sons.

Mr. R. W. Yule left London a few days ago on his return to Northern Rhodesia, accompanied by Keith and Mrs. George Keith, also to marry.

Congratulations to Mrs. A. Bartlett of Nairobi on celebrating her seventeenth birthday. She has been resident in Nyasaland for twenty-three years.

The Rev. S. J. Hopkins, who has been appointed Chairman of the Methodist Mission in Kenya, will have to take up his duties early in the New Year.

Mr. S. B. Deakey last week addressed the Royal Geographical Society in Aberdeen on "Early Man in Relation to the Geology of East Africa."

Mr. J. Norman Wynne has left England to take up the general management of the Kenya Development Company, Ltd., which is operating in Kakamega.

Captain L. C. Hammitt, District Commissioner of the Upper Nile Province of the Sudan, has just left the country after eleven years' seconded service there.

Sir Percy Loraine, High Commissioner for Egypt and the Sudan, left Cairo at the beginning of December to take up his new post as Ambassador to Turkey.

Mrs. Beryl Markham, who now has an estate in Kenya, was engaged to spot elephant for Colonel E. Reuter, M.P., who has recently visited East Africa.

We regret to learn of the sudden death at Wiverton, Sussex, of Mr. Vincent Reynolds Woodland, late Governor of the Mongalla Province of the Sudan.

Lieutenant-Commander Stacy Marks has been appointed Port Manager at Kilindini. He has been acting in that office since the transfer of Mr. G. V. O. Bulkeley some months ago.

The Bishop of Northern Rhodesia has consecrated the English Church at Lusaka. The Prince of Wales and Princess Marie Louise are among those who have contributed to the building fund.

Major W. Robert Tonks, writer of a further book entitled "Dawn of Sacrifice," is to be published in January, and is mainly staged in Southern Rhodesia and Portuguese East Africa.

Tempt  
the appetite.

Brown-Polson's  
Corn-FLOUR

for a variety of  
Summer sweets.

Sir Gerald Holtz, who served for so many years in East Africa, and who is now Governor of Trinidad, entertained Colonel and Mrs. Lindrum last week when they arrived at Port Said from India.

Mr. John Gareth Wells, Jr., who visited East Africa soon after he left on his journey from Cairo to the Congo, is about to leave London for Ethiopia. With his wife he is riding a tandem cycle with success.

When Mr. Walter Lindrum, the world's billiards champion, and Mr. Clark McConachy, champion of New Zealand, recently called at Mombasa, they gave an exhibition of billiards before a large audience of residents.

The King has granted Mr. Cecil Dewdney, Superintendent of Posts, to the Sudan Railways authority to wear the insignia of the Fifth Class of the Order of the Nile, conferred on him by the King of Egypt.

Lieutenant-Colonel M. J. G. M. D. M.C. Who took over command of the 2nd Battalion of the Border Regiment this week and will be with them in the front region in 1934, served with the 1st Battalion of the Yorkshire Regiment in Khartoum in 1916.

The Governor of Northern Rhodesia has appointed the Provincial Commissioner, Ndola (or Chairman) the Customs Officer, Mr. Malcolm Ferguson. P. J. Fry, the former Inspector of Mines to the Trade Development Board, with headquarters in Ndola.

The Earl of Selborne has accepted an invitation to become President of the African Society and chairman of its Council in succession to Lord Buxton, who, on retirement after two years of office, has been given the title of Honorary President for Life.

Major G. H. Jardine, is Acting Governor of Tanganyika Territory pending the arrival of Sir Harold MacMichael. Mr. P. E. Mitchell, Acting Chief Secretary; Mr. S. J. Parry, Acting Deputy Chief Secretary; and Mr. F. A. J. Maguire, Private Secretary and

Major R. W. P. Mayne has presented to the London Zoo a young female harnessed antelope from West Africa. The name of the animal is derived from the presence of six or even more transverse white stripes on the body, bounded by a long horizontal stripe running from just below the shoulder blades to the middle of the spine, a little lower down.

Dr. W. H. Ward, who is shortly expected home after leaving for Europe on his duties as Director of Medical and Sanitary Services in Uganda, has served in Uganda since 1919, and was associated with Major Seager in the development of Uganda Hospitals and the country medical services, connected with it.

With regret on receipt of the death of Miss Anna Payne, who had been private secretary to Captain Edward Simson since the establishment twelve years ago of the British Empire Service League. She was a sister of Sir John S. Payne, Governor of Kenya, and of Mr. J. S. Payne, who is visiting East Africa.

Isaac William Chapman, one of the pioneer missionaries in the Balaka country of Northern Rhodesia, has accepted a call to Nottingham Road, Carlton, Ripley. He is at present Lay Minister of the Mosley Street Methodist Church, Burton-on-Trent. He was a former colleague of the Rev. E. W. Smith.

M. J. T. Last, whose death at the age of eighty-six is announced, was made Commissioner of Slavery in Zanzibar in 1897. He had previously had much experience of the East African coast and mainland, and was recognised as an outstanding authority on the Swahili language. He was a first class naturalist.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles George Nurse, who died in Tonbridge on Saturday, served through the Sudan Campaign of 1884, accompanied the Zaita Field Force from Aden to Somaliland in 1890, made one of the first maps of the Zaita district, and was subsequently Vice-Comptroller-Assistant Resident in that area. He was a well-known entomologist.

Mr. H. C. H. Bell, representative in London of the Kenya Game Board, was married this week to Miss Phyllis Mandeville, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mandeville, and granddaughter of Brigadier-General Sir S. V. Ward, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., and Mrs. Weston, of Arundel, Sussex. So hard at work is the bridegroom in college affairs that the honeymoon has been postponed until the spring. Our readers will join us on the best of wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Bell for many years of happiness.

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## ILLUSTRATED CHRISTMAS NUMBERS.

The Christmas Numbers of the illustrated weeklies are coming, considering the difficult times through which we have been passing. With the exception of *Truth*, which is priced at 1s. 6d., all the other journals mentioned cost 2s.

*Truth* is to be congratulated on particularly fine printing, its beautiful use of colour, and the character of its contents. *The Illustrated London News* is lavish with colour work, and fine photographic reproductions, and gives stories of Christmas in 1871, 1874, 1874, and 1803. *The Sketch* is profusely illustrated in colour and has many modern drawings, including a two-page spread by Mr. Heath Robinson. *The Week's Pictures* offers a series of coloured illustrations of the latest celebrities, including Miss Bateman. *The English Sports and Dramatic Review* gives a good mixture of sport and old-style Christmas matter, and stories by Mr. J. Phillips Oppenheim and Mr. G. Philpott, while the *Bystander* has short stories by well-known writers and cartoons in colour and black and white. *Truth* is as lively as usual in story, cartoons, and political lampooning, and *Country Life*, by far the biggish of them, includes a feature article by Mr. Cherry Kearton on big game photography in East Africa, a description of Westminster Schools' bird studies, and some beautifully photographed taken in an artist's garden.

### Santa Claus.

The East African Women's League is giving a Christmas tree to each European child in Kakamega, of whom there are more than two hundred recipients. Good work!

### African Artisans.

In the morning issue for the construction of the new Law Courts in Nairobi no provision had been made for the payment of African artisans. Mr. Hon. T. O'Sullivan, whom this information was given in the Legislative Council, suggested that it was taking such a decision on the Government's part was reversing its own policy.

### Viking Essential Oil Producers.

Mr. E. W. Boyce, a director of Messrs. W. C. Treatt & Co. Ltd., one of the oldest firms of essential oil importers in the U.K., leaves London by air on January 3 to visit Kenya. His hopes also to tour the Northern Rhodesia in his tour arrangements. He is anxious to meet anyone interested in the essential oil industry. Letters may be addressed to Commercial National Bank of India, Nairobi, Kenya. Mr. Boyce is the author of "Caravans of the Old Sahara."

### Good Shooting by Nyasaland Team.

Last week we gave details of the scores made by the Colonial Rifle Association small-bore team by the Kenya team, which won the inter-colonial competition against seven other colonies. We have now received the scores of the Nyasaland team, which finished fifth with a total of 1,420 points. Mrs. G. C. H. scored 184; Mr. F. H. Radcliffe, 184; Mr. Archibald Bacon, 184; Mr. J. Fletcher, Mr. R. H. Harris and Mr. J. S. Smart, 182; Mrs. Stephen, 184; Miss Sansom, 204; Major F. T. Stephen, 170 points. Whereas the Kenya team had three lady members, Nyasaland had five. Only one lady competitor was among the remaining six Colonial teams.

### Kagera Dividend Arrears.

The arrears of dividend on the 6% preference shares of Kagera (Uganda) Tinfields, Ltd., for the period February 25, 1931, to December 31, 1932, will be paid at the end of this month.

### London & Central Kenya Interests.

At the weekly annual meeting of London and Central Ltd., the Chairman of the company announced that during the past year they had increased their plant and machinery in Kenya by about £1,000, and had expended an even greater sum in connection with the business of their subsidiary companies.

### Nyasaland Tea Company Reports.

Ruo Estates, Ltd., which owns tea plantations in Nyasaland, report a net profit for the year to June 30 last of £2,700. After paying a dividend of 12½%, £3,700 will be carried forward. The tea crop for the year was 16,122 lb. more than in the preceding twelve months, and the average price per cwt. per ton was 41s. 8d. extension to the Lushoto factory has been authorised.

Mini-Mini (Nyassaland) Tea Syndicate, Ltd., report that after providing for depreciation and interest on the 7% mortgage and the 5% preference stock, there remains a profit of £1,000, which deducted from the debit balance of £1,000 carried forward from last year, leaves a deficiency of £100. An additional amount of £2,950. The tea crop harvested was 16,122 lb., an increase of 81,800 lb. over the previous year. The gross average selling price was 3s. 3d. per lb., as compared with 3s. 4d. last season.

### Noth Charterland Chairman's Resignation.

As published an address by the Chairman of an East African company can easily be made to his shareholders recently delivered by Mr. H. B. Smillie at the annual general meeting of the North Charterland Exploration Co. (N.C.E.) Ltd. He dealt with the early history of the company, and made the most definite accusations against the Colonial Office and the British South African Company, and a meeting, consisting of some 200 shareholders, afterwards unanimously resolved to circulate a full report to all members of the Privy Council and of both Houses of Parliament, and if necessary also to petition the King to revoke an Order in Council which the Company believes itself to have been unjustly treated. Printed copies of the Chairman's speech are now available and may be obtained by anyone interested on application to Mr. Smillie at Palmerston House, Old Broad Street, London, E.C.

### Barclays Bank (U.C. & O.) Report.

Barclay's Bank (U.C. & O.) report a net profit for the year to September 30, 1933, to which has to be added £215,884 brought forward from last year, making a total of £587,433 available. This sum has been appropriated as follows: to the pension fund income £15,000; contingency account £10,000; in-kind dividends £10,000; final dividend at the rate of 8% per annum on the Cumulative Preference shares less tax, £33,700; and final dividend at the rate of 5% per annum on the "A" shares of £1 each and the "B" shares of 50/- each. After those sums have been deducted there remains a balance of £216,500 to be carried forward. The report records with regret the death of Sir Francis Dunham-Percy Chaplin, the chairman from the board of Mr. Charles Frederick Wood and Mr. George Cyril Gassels; and the forthcoming retirement from the London Committee of Mr. C. H. Hewitt, formerly general manager of the Colonial Bank. Mr. W. N. Goodeve has been elected to a seat on the board, and Mr. Harry Weston has been appointed vice-chairman of the South African board.

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## EAST AFRICA

### MR. DRIBERG ON THE GOOD AFRICAN

How Europeans can Help.

MR. J. H. DRIBERG recently addressed the League of Coloured Peoples on "The Good African." The good African of the past was, he said, the tribal African who consciously obeyed the laws and customs of his people. That was no longer true in its entirety, and the good African of the future is still in process of evolution.

He presented the case of the educational and experimental project which the Standard has for the European in all things, without accentuating the importance of the material and social factors which make the good European. In the absence of this significant mutation may be definitely harmful, and the usual idea of a bad African. Unessential are situated, as the essential is learning often belongs to one culture alone and cannot be immediately grasped by another. What is good in one culture is not necessarily good in another.

Africans should be content with the obvious, but should look for that of which the obvious is a symbol. The apparent freedom of the white man in Africa is a freedom which temts the African to disregard authority and to seek release from the shackles of tribal bonds. The majority of tribal institutions leads to the desire for a spiritual freedom. In actual fact Europeans are no more free, but obey a different kind of bondage to institutions. The restraints of tribal discipline were necessarily severe in the past, but are possibly even more necessary to-day as the people are trying to adjust themselves to new conditions.

Our duty is to offer new ideas, new concern, a new outlook on life; it is theirs to select whatever will enable them to bridge this period of transition and build up a new culture on the fusion of the best elements in both. We cannot decide choosing for them, but can only help if they cooperate with us in this task. They must learn to adapt rather than to adopt, while we should offer them an education more suited to their needs than we have done in the past since only by knowledge rationally acquired can they divest their old cultures of those elements like racism, which are subversive, and hamper their evolution.

"They must get out of their minds that we despise their cultures. Perhaps we do which is wrong, next to nothing about them, and play down their history, ignorantly attributed to the breakdown of a civilised institution. But now we appreciate the great value of a good that is high, and only the short-sighted and unbalanced would dare to take the decisive step forward or when we are doing, they do so must sound the Roman tendency which goes with a little ignorance, who despise the culture of their fathers, since only by building on that basis can they successfully achieve a new civilisation, breaking both of this and all their ancient heritage. They cannot any longer stagnate, but must either go forward in leaps and die out, or show them the way to go forward, if they will only select from what we offer and convert it into something distinctive their own, if only they will adapt rather than unintelligently imitate.

### RAINFALL IN EAST AFRICA

H.M. Eastern Africa Dependencies' Trade and Information Office, at London, has received the following details of rainfall in the territories during the periods indicated:

*Kenya (week ended December 5).—Fort Portal, 0.50 inch; Kabete, 2.01; Kiambu, 1.10; Kilifi, 0.81; Kitale, 0.42; Nairobi, 2.67; Limuru, 1.38; Machakos, 2.08; Mwingi, 1.00; Makindu, 3.30; Makindu, 3.61; Masaka, 5.10; Nairobi, 0.44; Nanyuki, 0.62; Ngong, 1.23; Nairobi, 1.53; Simba, 3.65; Usoa, 1.51; Taveta, 4.25 inches.*

*Tananyika (Week ended December 5).—Butembo, 1.16 inches; Entebbe, 1.53; Fort Portal, 0.65; Hoima, 0.60; Jinja, 0.48; Kololo, 0.94; Lira, 0.30; Masaka, 0.83; Mbala, 0.01; Muende, 0.43; Namangala, 0.81; Tororo, 0.53 inch.*

*Tanzania (Territory week ended December 4).—Arusha, 10.1 millimetres; Arusha, 1.31; Bagamoyo, 20.4; Bukoba, 2.11; Dar es Salaam, 22.55; Iringa, 31.31; Kigoma, 47.6; Kilosa, 14.7; Lushoto, 50.2; Mahenge, 4.1; Morogoro, 5.45; Mtibeli, 10.2; Mwanza, 18.6; Mbomwe, 1.7; Old Shinyanga, 1.5; Mbora, 32.8; Mboma, 1.6; Tukuyu, 10.2 millimetres.*

### Victoria Falls Dividends

The Victoria Falls and Transvaal Power Company has declared a final dividend of 1/- per cent. on the Preference shares and a further 1/- in respect of participating rights for 1933. An interim dividend of 1/- on the Ordinary Shares is also to be paid.

### CAPTAIN SCHWARTZ LAYS A CANARD.

Never Sow the Acacia to an Asiatic.

To the Editor of "East Africa."

Sir,—Many thanks for your fair mail-letter received yesterday informing me that you have received information from Kenya that I have sold land at Kericho to an Asiatic, and asking me to confirm or deny the truth of the allegation.

I have to day written to the Standard, mentioning your letter and saying that the report is simply without foundation and cannot be termed "a moderate and cautious lie." I have never owned an acre of land at Kericho or within hundred miles of it and I have never sold, leased or otherwise disposed of an acre of land to an Asiatic.

Scumups for this spot, spread with I know what motive, are difficult to trace to their source, but if the author is still alive I repeat the statement in public. I will undertake to institute an action for damages within twenty-four hours.

Many thanks for writing me as you did.

Yerobi, 11th Oct. Yours faithfully,  
Kenza Chonyi (Signed) H. E. Schwartz.

We gladly give space to Captain Schwartz's categorical refutation, which but fulfils our expectations. When the above-mentioned report reached us, it was withheld from publication pending word from the principal person concerned. Ed. V. A. J.

### London: Livingstone Phon.

A telephone service between British and Northern Rhodesia was opened on Monday. The charges for a four-minute call are £6.15s., with 1s. 6d. each additional minute. In Southern Rhodesia the charges £6.15s. and £7.30s. respectively.

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## EAST AFRICA'S INFORMATION BUREAU

East Africa's Information Bureau exists for the free service of journalists and others who are not bound by any editor. One of its main objects is to contribute to the development of British race throughout East and Central Africa, and its information service readers are willing to give for that purpose will be cordially welcomed.

A tax of 25 cents per package is now being levied on all packages imported into Kenya.

A new landing ground, a for use by medium and light aircraft, has been constructed near Kakamega.

During the past few months several new settlers have taken up land in the Western district of Kenya. Some light relief in taxation next year has been forecast by Mr. G. M. Huggins, Finance Minister of Southern Rhodesia.

Customs receipts for the port of Mombasa during October amounted to £2,250,000 compared with £2,080,000 for the corresponding month last year.

During September 133 Europeans and 31 Asiatics and others visited Nyasaland. Five new Europeans and eight Asiatics arrived to take up residence in the country.

The Kenyan Government anticipates that the revenue from the mining industry during the current year will amount to £13,000 or about double the amount collected in 1932.

The 1934 Budget of the Kenya and Uganda Railways anticipates a deficit of £5,480. This year's surplus, which is estimated at £1,250,000 is to be credited to the deficit account.

Four Italian priests have left Rome for Tanganyika to establish the first Passionist Mission in East Africa. They are taking over a territory formerly covered by the Holy Ghost Fathers.

An Agricultural Research Conference attended by the Directors and certain other members of the staffs of the Agriculture Departments of all the East African territories will be held in Nairobi in February.

The annual report of Livingstone College, on Ero, states that during the last forty years 1,343 students have passed through the College where instruction is given in medical missionary work.

During October Tanganyika exported 3,063 ozs. of gold valued at £16,017. Other minerals produced during the month included: diamonds, 220 carats (£77); tin, 17 tons (£2,800); mica, 5,552 lbs (£500) and salt, 197 tons (£1,505).

Exports from Tanganyika during the first ten months of this year amounted to £2,024,827 compared with £1,739,222 during the corresponding period of last year. Imports over the same period amounted to £1,907,411, against £1,577,351.

The total export traffic handled at Kitindini during the first nine months of this year amounted to 282,538 tons, compared with 260,900 tons during the corresponding period of 1932. The import traffic handled at Kitindini over the same period amounted to 63,477 tons, against 50,000 tons last year.

The Managing Committee of the International Zinc Cartel, which was attended by representatives from Rhodesia and other parts of the Empire, has decided to continue the existing arrangement until July, 1934. This decision is based on the existing statistical situation, which shows that satisfactory equilibrium between producers and consumers continues to exist under present conditions.

### E.A. Power Company's New Capital.

The East African Power and Lighting Company is to hold a meeting in Nairobi on December 26 to obtain sanction to the proposal of the Board to increase the share capital of the company by the creation of 100,000 additional shares.

**Kingsley Parker.**

Mr. C. Fassinaone, chief gaoler in Northern Rhodesia, was motoring to the Victoria Falls last week when he crashed into a bumbungamus which had come out unbroken from the trees by the roadside. Mrs. Seigener suffered a broken lacecap, while her husband and daughter escaped with slight head-bruises. The horse appeared to sustain no injury to his shoulder and limped back to the trees.

### Tea Affairs.

Mr. James Mackay, Chairman of the Kenya Farmers Association, stated at the recent annual meeting that last year the Association had to charter five ships to handle the tea crop, the accommodation being limited. In addition to fulfilling the usual quota by January, shipping the port of Mombasa, the Association said the galaxy quota system with regard to the movement of tea exports had proved a failure and believed that it would not be reintroduced.

### B.E.A. Report.

The British India Steam Navigation Company Ltd. reports that the profit for the year to September 30 last provided for depreciation and including the balance available for dividends, amounts to £160,259. The directors recommend that this sum should be distributed as follows: £15,000 on dividends on the 5% Preference stock, of which £10 was paid in May last, and £1,000 on dividends on the 5½% Preferred stock, of which 9 months' dividend, equal to 4½%, has been paid. This leaves £140,259 to be carried forward. The report states that the continued depression in trade has caused another diminution in earnings of the company, but that this has to some extent been offset by other economies.

### EAST AFRICAN STOCK AND SHARE PRICES.

We have received the following prices by airmail from Nairobi:

	Last Week	This Week
Power and Lighting	32s 5d	32s
Electric Lighting Synd. (5s)	12s	12s
Elford & Company Vent. (5s)	12s	12s
Kenya Goldfields Goldfields (5s)	5s	5s
Kenya Goldfields Goldfields (5s)	9s	9s
Kenya Collieries (5s)	30s	30s
Kenya Mulimu	5s	5s
Nyanga Goldfields (5s, Pref.)	2s 50cts	2s 50cts
Pakaneusi (5s)	2s 50cts	2s 50cts

### NEWS OF OUR ADVERTISERS.

The Messageries Maritimes inform us that the passengers booking in Belgium to Mombasa on S.S. "Salam" have not been increased. We recently received an anonymous message from Brussels suggesting that bookings had been made.

The London offices of Messageries Maritimes Sons and Gouraud Ltd. are to be transferred to Settlers Hall, Lancaster Place, Strand, W.C. 2, from January 1. The telephone number will be Temple 2227.

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## EAST AFRICAN MARKET REPORTS.

## COFFEE.

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## Kenya:

A. sizes	60s. od. to 127s. 6d.
B. sizes	46s. od. to 10s. 6d.
C. sizes	41s. od. to 57s. 6d.
D. sizes	55s. od. to 102s. 6d.
E. sizes	50s. od. to 14s. 6d.

## Uganda:

Bunyoro	London cleaned
First sizes	1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d.
Third sizes	1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d.
Pearls	1s. 6d. to 2s. 6d.

## Tanganyika:

A. sizes	50s. od. to 64s. 6d.
B. sizes	48s. 6d. to 60s. 6d.
C. sizes	45s. 6d. to 58s. 6d.
D. sizes	42s. 6d. to 56s. 6d.
E. sizes	34s. 6d. to 50s. 6d.

## Mombasa:

London cleaned	100s. od. to 110s. 6d.
First sizes	90s. od. to 109s. 6d.
Second sizes	85s. od. to 108s. 6d.
Third sizes	82s. od. to 107s. 6d.
Pearls	90s. od. to 108s. 6d.

## Rhodesia:

Pearl	40s. 6d.
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London stocks of East African coffee on December 18 totalled 87,752 bags, compared with 51,600 bags on the corresponding date last year.

The Guatemalan coffee crop is expected to be reduced by 25% in the heavy rains in the past twenty years, while 25% in Colombia are expected to reduce by 60% the anticipated coffee crop of next year.

## OTHER MARKETS.

**Cotton**—Seeds, South East African quoted 100s. 6d. to 110s. 6d.; 110s. 6d. to 127s. 6d.; 127s. 6d. to 140s. 6d. Zanzibar spot quoted at 5s. 6d. and 10s. 6d. per lb. 110s. 6d. to 127s. 6d. to 140s. 6d.

**Yams**—Good business has been done, the price for standard now being 1s. 2s. 6d. Electrolytic is quoted at 1s. 6d. per lb.

**Tea**—Slightly better fair scattered being quoted at 1s. 9d. to 1s. 10s. 6d. per lb.

**Butter**—Trade has been done at 1s. 35d. to 1s. 6d. per lb. according to quality. 110s. 6d. and 127s. 6d.

It is believed that the cotton crop of Nyasaland for the current season will be less than last year's production by more than 100,000 tons.

**Guinea**—Guardian Commercial report—

Assignments of cotton from Uganda and Kenya to Liverpool are causing trouble through a tying up with red and yellow cotton. In most cases it is mixed or dyed and the bales are printed and repaired but at considerable cost. Other sales fail to show damage as opened at the mills. The source of the trouble is stated to be exposure of the cotton before the ginning and cleaning, and not enough thought given over one-half of last season's East African cotton crop was sold to Indian cotton mills, so complaints of this nature have been received from India.

**Tea**—Dull, unusually so, 5s. per lb. 110s. 6d.

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**Messrs. Wiggesworth & Company** report—The absence of support throughout the month coincided with the declining price of Manila attributable to the fall in the American exchange, having caused a gradual drop in

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