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MATTERS OF MOMENT.

Executive Council of Kenya: Chief Reform Proposed.

OUR first leading article last week pleaded for reform of the Executive Council of Kenya. We pointed out that Sir Alan Pim's proposed substitution of the present Secretaries' system, by three Secretaries to Government, each responsible for a group of departments, would necessarily demand changes in the Executive Council, and that the opportunity should be taken for complete reconstruction, and emphasised the advantage of giving the non-official community a greater responsible share in a body which, as it now stands, is not even a debating society, but which is meant to be a Cabinet. A few hours after the publication of those proposals Mr. Ormsby Gore, Secretary of State for the Colonies, at the guest luncheon of the East African Group in London, in the course of a speech of great importance, the report of which appears in this issue, dealt with this very subject, declaring categorically that one of the first things which he would ask of the new Governor should be to examine the existing Executive Council and make proposals for its reconstitution on a basis which would ensure more effective co-operation from the non-official side.

Responsibility for Non-Officials.

There may be some in Kenya who will claim that declaration, as a victory for the settler leaders who have for some considerable time urged such a step. That would, we believe, be to misunderstand both the significance of the Minister's statement and his personality, one far more likely to recognise the force of reason than to surrender to mere pressure. We welcome warmly the expressed readiness to reform the Executive Council, which is demonstrably out of date, and consider wise the way the decision and the change shall be initiated by the new Governor. Whatever the details of the new constitution may prove to be, it is already clear that the settler and commercial community will be given a much greater share in the framing of Government policy, and we have no doubt that the leaders of thought in Kenya will rise to the responsibility [illegible] worthy of it.

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The Threat of Soil Erosion.

Great as was the importance of the statement concerning the Executive Council, it is highly significant that by far the warmest applause of the gathering was given to Mr. Ormsby Gore's revelation that this agricultural adviser, Mr. Stockdale, is about to leave for East Africa for the special purpose of reporting on the related problems of overstocking and soil erosion. The reception given to that announcement must have been heartening to the Minister and to all present who had realised the great urgency of a large-scale attack upon this problem—as it may have surprised the many people who have heard the question discussed for so many years without ever growing callous about it. The Secretary of State has probably a greater appreciation than any of his predecessors of the value of harnessing science to the service of the Colonial Empire, and if, as may be taken for granted, his expert investigator returns

[illegible] the need for prompt action, the practical recommendations which we may bring with him will not be likely to fail for want of support from his chief.

[illegible] Meanwhile, we have brought our discussion [illegible] the introduction of income tax [illegible] our regular readers are aware, we have steadfastly supported the principle of such a tax, but we have criticised outspokenly the ineptitude of the Government in the handling of a delicate situation, its unwise and unnecessary attempt to force the pace, and some of the details of the first ordinance. There can be no doubt that the initial blunders of the East African Government were [illegible] by [illegible] from the Secretary of State, who, we believe, has already [illegible] strongest opinion behind him, and will gain support as his intentions become more generally known. As his words to the East African Group show, he is conscious of the necessity of the introduction of income tax in East Africa. This is the moment chosen by some of the settler leaders to declare that they have won the income tax fight and that never again will the threat recur. That unwise language has been related as soon as it was uttered, and it is to be hoped that it will not be accepted by anyone as a basis of policy or that could but lead to [illegible] Colony, with certain disadvantage and no possible compensation.

A Time for Constructive Statesmanship.

The settler leaders, if they are wise, apply themselves to the formulation of a comprehensive policy instead of contending themselves with a temporary postponement. The tax will inevitably be accepted sooner or later, and probably within the next years. The gesture of Mr. Ormsby Gore in announcing several months before Sir Robert Brooke-Popham can take up his appointment the reconstitution of the Executive Council favourable to non-official aspirations is to be understood at the outset of his Governorship should be an encouragement to the European elected members in particular, and to the non-officials of the Colony in general, to consider long-range plans of development which will be proofs of the value of greater non-official co-operation. Any temptation to make capital out of the shortcomings of Government and there appears to be an inclination to concentrate on that rather than upon constructive proposals should be resisted, or at any rate not overemphasised, though the non-official members may quite properly expose the weaknesses of Government arguments, it is better over a policy to point the faults in that of Government than that they will be judged. They have a full three months before the arrival of their new Governor within which to frame a comprehensive policy, and it would be very creditable from all points if they were to throw away this excellent opportunity of demonstrating that leadership and constructive patriotism which they were elected to exercise.

[illegible] Government of [illegible] Commission [illegible] attention [illegible] the East African [illegible] for similar provision [illegible] which [illegible] delinquency to [illegible] whom the Kenyan official [illegible] young African offenders, for [illegible] and enlightenment system [illegible] long [illegible] necessity in [illegible] anywhere. There are more [illegible] the African [illegible] of those [illegible] their treatment appears [illegible] the necessity of [illegible] not sufficient [illegible] institutes, sitting [illegible] Kampala, and Daf [illegible] offending [illegible] themselves in a [illegible] with [illegible] hardened [illegible] and only [illegible] encourages them to pursue an [illegible] on their discharge, especially when they have become imbued with the old convict's idea that [illegible] hotel provided by Government [illegible] live at the public expense [illegible] employment. Seldom [illegible] does a missionary go into the police courts of those centres to give what assistance the resources of his organisation can [illegible] the disposal of the magistrates in dealing with young offenders. East African missionary societies might well give sympathetic consideration to the suggestion that here is an opportunity [illegible] real value to the youth [illegible] Africa. The [illegible] and [illegible] the spread of [illegible] among adolescent Natives should be regarded as an essential feature of missionary endeavour generally in East Africa.

A Problem for the Prison Authorities.

But the missionary alone cannot solve the problem in the wider aspects of which there is a demand for collective treatment by educationists, [illegible] authorities, and the prison authorities. Substantial funds [illegible] for education [illegible] of this costly [illegible] thought is given to the requirements of those who have [illegible] themselves in need of compulsory [illegible] in the ways of good citizenship, [illegible] the neglect of whom [illegible] a grave social [illegible] is taking shape. The prison authorities have been left to grapple with the problem as one purely of finance, all realising the need for a reformatory for juvenile offenders, but none having the money to provide it. What is urgently necessary is the reconsideration of the whole problem, not as one of prison accommodation and administration, but in the light of an educational necessity, having a proper claim to a share of the funds provided annually under that head, and deserving of sympathetic treatment by educationists and missionaries alike.

NOTES BY THE WAY.

Santa Claus by Air.

EAST AFRICA [illegible]

Wonders and Phantoms.

[illegible]

Dr. Jameson's Leave.

[illegible]

Twice Listening to a London Fire.

[illegible]

Hans Sachs, Orientalist.

[illegible]

Wells's Biscuits.

[illegible]

East Africans Entertain

Secretary of State for the Colonies

EXPRESSION OF THE VIEWS

Hon. Grimsby-Grove, for the Colonies, and Lady Beatrice Grimsby-Grove, Lord and Lady De [illegible], Sir Alan and Lady [illegible], Major and Mrs. Leggett, Major and Mrs. [illegible], Dr. William [illegible]

PROPOSES THE TOAST

[illegible] Dr. William [illegible] Chairman

The Group [illegible]

proposing [illegible]

[illegible] Secretary [illegible]

[illegible] Colonies [illegible]

[illegible] Colonies [illegible]

[illegible] Colonial [illegible]

[illegible] Government House, Nairobi [illegible]

[illegible] Colonies [illegible]

[illegible] Colonial [illegible]

[illegible] Colonies [illegible]

[illegible] Colonies [illegible]

[illegible] Colonies

Encouraging Personal Contacts.

[illegible] Parliament [illegible] Warr—who is with us [illegible] came there only last [illegible] on December 1st as Chairman of [illegible] to investigate and report on future [illegible] conditions, one of which [illegible] essentially in the East African [illegible] commissioned by the Colonial Office [illegible] Governor-General [illegible] the Gordon College at Khartoum and [illegible] Uganda. In addition to the technical [illegible] members of the House who have never been in East Africa [illegible] East Africa and [illegible] Harold Nicholson, who is well [illegible] a writer, and one of my own travelling [illegible] M. Benn, who was one of the delegates [illegible] Executives of the Oxford Union. In addition to visits [illegible] Uganda, he will also make a brief visit to Kenya [illegible]

Also [illegible] a little later, and going [illegible] by [illegible] A. Stockdale, who [illegible] many years [illegible] Colonial Office [illegible] successful Director of Agriculture [illegible] East Africa. We will arrive in Mombasa on January 17, [illegible] Zanzibar to examine the [illegible] and afterwards to Tanganyika, Uganda, [illegible] to join me on this side about [illegible] August. The special problems [illegible] to investigate are those of the overstocking of cattle and soil erosion. (Applause.)

Frankness Claimed and with Kenya.

It [illegible] What does the [illegible] Empire [illegible] One of the things in our minds when we were [illegible] before, though actually out of the Statute [illegible] was [illegible] Colonial Development Fund and [illegible] here in London, has given grants for research work in Nairobi [illegible] for malaria control [illegible] for telephone and telegraph [illegible] construction in Kisumu, and the tea growing [illegible] Kericho; research into the coffee berry bug [illegible] Kitale; spring and other works of [illegible] There shows [illegible] country [illegible] that the [illegible] Government must be [illegible] relying on the public purse [illegible]

[illegible] who is [illegible] Secretary of State for the Colonies or Governor of Kenya can be assured of an absolutely smooth passage in his work. I once called [illegible] the Land of Shades. Of course it is [illegible] active and controversial population, [illegible] make itself vocal, and challenges the Government when it feels inclined.

I do want to assure people in Kenya, and I hope they will recognise it, that it does have a right to be frank, and they have, I have a right to be so, and that we shall [illegible] Take Sir Alan Pim's report—and I want to make it quite clear that I had nothing to do with the framing of that report; indeed, Sir Alan was so determined on that, that his poor man, had to correct his own proofs in order that nobody should know [illegible] the [illegible] had sent to the printer.

It was almost the first East African document that I got when I [illegible] Colonial Secretaryship, and it is [illegible] document. (Hear, hear.) I should like it may not be possible to see its recommendations carried out in their entirety, [illegible] I told the Governor [illegible]

Income-Tax in Kenya: Native Interests.

Inevitably it [illegible] up the controversial subject of income-tax. [illegible] speak my own mind with frankness. [illegible] do not regard the system of non-Native direct taxation provisionally adopted in 1923 in Kenya as either equitable between Africans in that country or satisfactory from any point of view [illegible] that income-tax [illegible] with all its modern developments, the [illegible] arrangements and allowances, is not only [illegible] interests of [illegible] suitable for [illegible] tion [illegible]

[illegible] Council [illegible]

[illegible] Government [illegible] the [illegible] will of the [illegible] and I am [illegible] anxious that [illegible] there should [illegible] that [illegible] between [illegible] officials and vice versa [illegible] danger [illegible] inherent in the system [illegible] want the Government [illegible] of officials and [illegible] section of the population [illegible]

[illegible] point. I am [illegible] prepared to re-open the question [illegible] controversy with the Government of India which would [illegible] re-opening of the question of the composition of the Kenya Legislative Council, but one [illegible] I hope, Sir Robert Bruce-Poynton will [illegible] will be to advise me of the alteration and reform of the Executive Council of [illegible] this is too large [illegible] reasonable recommendations as to the [illegible] representation of the official side of the Government [illegible] necessary, any [illegible] consideration of the [illegible] the official side of the Executive Council and [illegible] want to take this opportunity of getting more [illegible] co-operation from the unofficial community of Kenya in the Executive Council. (Applause.)

I do not wish to weary you with a lengthy [illegible] but I would like to say that I have always believed [illegible] co-operation between the Colonial Office and the East African Governments and the populations there will, with good will on both sides, be of real value to the progress and development of these countries. (Applause.)

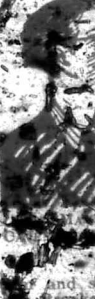
SIR ROBERT BROOKE-POPHAM'S REPLY.

Sir Robert Brooke-Popham said:—

I should like to [illegible] all very much for your kindness in [illegible] luncheon and for the way in which [illegible] proposed and received.

In the [illegible] King one is always becoming the new boy [illegible] a private school and through Sandhurst, [illegible] regiment, and [illegible] through Staff College and on each occasion you face [illegible] surroundings, new faces, new people and new work [illegible] the same nervousness as in first going to school. You wonder how you are going to get on with your new job; what you are going to think of the people you will work with and perhaps what they are going to think of you. [illegible] the end of your service, I find myself [illegible] Governor of Kenya and [illegible] In my case I feel all the more [illegible] in view of [illegible] have not been here, because [illegible] the last three weeks I have [illegible] such kindness and [illegible] so many generous offers of help and assistance [illegible] everybody connected with Kenya, that I feel I am [illegible] all I have already come to think of [illegible] and not [illegible] and I should again [illegible] these nice remarks about [illegible] You will have gathered [illegible] was my instructor at the Staff College many years ago, so [illegible] congratulations again for [illegible] I may have [illegible] I do not remember every [illegible] about [illegible] but I do remember his emphasising [illegible] the human factor.

Somebody wrote [illegible] years ago [illegible] It is men, and the character of men that count in war, and [illegible] just the same in peace. That was the main thing I remember [illegible] the many other things Colonel Furse [illegible] taught me of Colonial [illegible] many [illegible] only [illegible] showed [illegible] never thought of his [illegible] Colonel [illegible] Bruce [illegible] and [illegible]



Mr. C. R. Buxton & Mandates

Atmosphere Essential

ADDRESSING a lunch hour meeting of the London Missionary Society last week, Mr. Rodger Buxton appealed for a world conference on [illegible] and urged that countries [illegible] to supply [illegible] management, and stated that the British Government should give a lead in [illegible]

[illegible] course of [illegible] Dissatisfied nations appeal [illegible] Colonies, but their [illegible] should be satisfied [illegible] about the exact losses [illegible] Colonies. We must not [illegible] too much importance [illegible] the fact that the claims for Colonies always in the forefront, for [illegible] popular way of appealing to classes [illegible] people.

The claim [illegible] really a complaint that those nations [illegible] not have access of getting raw materials. I am not [illegible] a free trader, for I feel that the individual [illegible] of the world should share in the production of [illegible] of the world to the utmost possible extent. The remedy is [illegible] the mandates system, or territories [illegible] the aggressive international[illegible] of [illegible] in backward [illegible]

The first step should be an extension of the Mandates system. If other Powers are not prepared to do this, Great Britain should be prepared to act alone. It is not a matter which depends on reciprocity, and if Great Britain gave a lead other countries would probably follow. [illegible] extend the mandates system to tropical areas, [illegible] at once remove all discrimination in territories. You would have the open door all about the [illegible] world, and I imagine that, if Hitler had something [illegible] so he would be more satisfied.

I think the mandate system would be strengthened. It would prevent the [illegible] subtle preferences which still [illegible] and would allow the Mandatory Powers to draw [illegible] the resources of the world for *personnel* in Government and commercial [illegible] to the technical [illegible] field of employment [illegible] throughout the world [illegible] fair that they should be able to draw on the resources of the world [illegible] for skilled experts rather than be limited to four or five countries.

[illegible] essential thing is a change of international atmosphere. What is needed is something which will produce a psychological [illegible] The Powers which have [illegible] in this power to [illegible] things should declare their readiness to do so and [illegible] international judgment.

Although I am politically opposed to the present Government, I should like to give them credit for the small beginning they have made in this direction. [illegible] year ago Sir Samuel Hoare drew international attention in Geneva to the question of raw materials, and [illegible] on the [illegible] indicated that the [illegible] recognised [illegible] alleged grievance. [illegible] to be made [illegible] immense step [illegible] was [illegible] by [illegible] Japan and Germany [illegible] deprived [illegible] done with ten times the emphasis it would have [illegible] psychological effect throughout the world.

Population and Progress.

The Best Way to Encourage Settlement.

From a Rhodesian Correspondent.

[illegible] in Southern Rhodesia has been [illegible] the [illegible] increase in white population during the 1931-36 period as compared with [illegible] warnings have been issued [illegible] what would happen if something is not immediately done about it.

Two things have been overlooked. That the last five years have been a time of slump due to a [illegible] wide fall in the price of agricultural produce, [illegible] to outbreaks of foot-and-mouth disease within the Colony, and that despite those setbacks the population has grown at a rate of which any country on Europe, with the possible exception of [illegible] will be proud. [illegible] that the corner has [illegible] prospects [illegible] higher rate [illegible]

To [illegible] in this prosperity [illegible] Rhodesians [illegible] complacent [illegible] subject [illegible] twins. It has been somewhere said that [illegible] country's birth-rate indicates a [illegible] confidence and optimism. Rhodesians are [illegible] civilised, their security is far greater than [illegible] where [illegible] and the infantile mortality rate is low. So far, then, as natural increase is concerned, there is nothing about which to worry [illegible]

As for greater immigration from Great Britain [illegible] yet, the future right it must be remembered that workmen from Canada are already flowing back to the Mother Country. Southern Rhodesia caters almost solely for the immigrant [illegible] either has [illegible] coming to [illegible] settless, the country's well-known [illegible] considerable number [illegible] immigrants [illegible]

Progress Not Measured in Statistics.

The man who says [illegible] particular [illegible] must have a higher rate of immigration [illegible] without trying how [illegible] coming powers usefully [illegible] as well [illegible] the country must [illegible] government. Few will [illegible] with him, but some [illegible]

Let us [illegible] with him for a moment. If the best-informed people of Europe will travel halfway to find a place where there is room to breathe, and if they will rant about the evils of a congested population, should Rhodesians worry because life is better balanced in their rather sparsely populated country and because unemployment is not a serious menace?

Since the man who measures progress by statistics will not be moved by these questions, let us also meet him on his own ground.

If the way to secure a greater population in these days is not to go straight for what is active [illegible] the [illegible] of the numbers of suffering humanity in any place without adequate provision for its needs, [illegible] people succumb to the idea in their less thoughtful moments. Not so long ago Australia [illegible] when Mr. Amery visited Southern Rhodesia [illegible] to resist [illegible]

[illegible] immigration was instituted, which the country contemplated the growing picture of a Britain [illegible] the Empire [illegible] As a result Rhodesian land settlement was set back ten years. Over three hundred settlers were brought out to go on the land [illegible] The pioneer settlers had their means of livelihood impaired by the sudden competition; the Government had to spend thousands on assisting those hoodwinked immigrations whom it could not neglect, and land values came sliding down. Progress [illegible] not [illegible]

[illegible] Land [illegible] connection [illegible] a high rate of immigration [illegible] by State-aided schemes, but by [illegible] country a good place to live in, at least [illegible] of the gods. Immigration must [illegible] their own initiative and finance [illegible] and it must be remembered that in Southern [illegible] the labouring class (the largest class in any country) is composed of Natives, [illegible] there is sufficiency available either locally or in neighbouring territories. Failure to understand [illegible] implications of this fact is at the [illegible] of [illegible] misleading comparisons made between Southern Rhodesia and Australia, New Zealand [illegible] proportion of population.

The present Government is not going [illegible] wrong which [illegible] pays great attention to public health, educational reforms, better control of communications, markets, facilities and mining development. If it is successful in these things and a larger stream of immigration still does not result, then there [illegible] remains anything else which can be tried [illegible] Colony is not a [illegible] of blotting paper which will [illegible] hands [illegible] that are the chief [illegible] by its [illegible] to absorb is conditioned [illegible] world demand for its products, the [illegible] meaning settlers of the kind [illegible] and many other factors. It follows that those who [illegible] for an increased population as a means to greater prosperity are [illegible] cart and [illegible]

[illegible] Immigration Plan.

Dr. Martin Wolfenitzer, has been [illegible] Southern Rhodesia, and I understand that he has been in conference with members of the Government on the subject of establishing in the Colony a settlement for Jewish immigrants from Germany, and that the plea was [illegible] sympathetically received. This is to be congratulated, but it [illegible] be [illegible] connected with the move [illegible] that [illegible] may be disappointed [illegible] that the sudden incursion [illegible] of [illegible] that 60,000 Europeans [illegible] from a country [illegible] would have much the same effect as if [illegible] million were poured into Great Britain. [illegible] sufficient to upset the economic balance [illegible] might arouse hostility where none before existed.

[illegible] Rhodesia [illegible] settlement [illegible] extension, and [illegible] the 20 acre plots. [illegible] years ago [illegible] rebel, the plot [illegible] sold [illegible] and the [illegible] being given half-a-[illegible] other [illegible] the Colony [illegible] seven years in Chilimanzi [illegible] children attending the settlement school, and [illegible] officer with experience [illegible] has been appointed.

[illegible] Native [illegible]

Mr. Coughlin, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, [illegible] the recent Parliamentary Congress that he had wished to appoint a Commission on Native Affairs, to define the relations between the two races and to [illegible] economic policy that it had been [illegible] Chairman, who has [illegible] made up his mind.

East African Development

Need for General Co-Operation

CLOSER practical co-operation between East African Governments and resident European business men on the one hand, and closer collaboration between the Colonial Office and the representatives in London of East African Governments were advocated at the December meeting of the Executive Council of the East African Board.

"Marvellous work has been done and splendid results achieved in East Africa under British administration," said Colonel C. E. Pond, by T.H. Mr. Chairman of the Board, but against that there was the oft-repeated claim that more attention have been given by Government was generally concerned to the balancing of its budget, the creation of a sinking fund against future times of stress, and with a strong sense of duty so that sound development projects should receive less attention than they deserved because they were normally considered by men without commercial training.

Bowring expressed the interest of Eastern [illegible] with considerable [illegible] at present than that of suggesting a [illegible] of development to the Secretary of State for Colonies, [illegible] consultation with [illegible] bodies in the territories.

Fifty Years Wasted.

Colonel Pond [illegible] mentioned [illegible] prospects [illegible] Mr. [illegible] coupling with extensive experience of [illegible] of the Sudan Plantations Syndicate, he recommended development of the Rufiji and Kilombero valleys of Tanganyika on somewhat similar lines, or through the medium of a big development company, chiefly for the growing of cotton and rice, and the Glenn Railway Commission had shortly afterwards recommended the construction of a railway to Ilakara. Nothing had been done.

At about the same time representations were being made to the Colonial Office to bring Nyasaland into line with modern requirements, in order that thousands depending for their livelihood on the mining industry should be protected on a sound basis. For four or five years nothing whatever was done, primarily because the Colonial Office desired to impose on Nyasaland the mining laws of Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika, the territory in question being small, and has been completely remodelled to suit the mining and finance houses demanded, and was naturally that reorganisation should be on the same lines as the mining laws of the two Rhodesias, which are adjacent land in which the legislation was more modern and was working satisfactorily. Even now he understood there was no up-to-date mining Ordinance in Nyasaland though one had been promised in principle.

In these typical cases, [illegible] had been [illegible] without any real reason, though perhaps the economic basis might be given as a special excuse. And there must have been many other desirable projects which might have been put in hand [illegible] operation of the local Governments and the [illegible].

Co-operation in Place of Antagonism.

Mr. Bowring said that [illegible] remarkable developments had occurred in East Africa in recent years, the general advance in prices made the moment opportune for a drive for increased production, all touched [illegible] every product exported from East Africa could to-day be produced for sale without loss, and in most cases a profit, railway and harbour facilities were in advance of production, while [illegible] facilities and organisation for every product were now in good shape.

Mr. Montague Barlow, K.C., M.P., welcomed consideration of the whole question, and urged that [illegible] respect [illegible] basis of co-operation of all interests concerned, [illegible] development [illegible] visions of a few big [illegible].

Had [illegible] Sudan [illegible] interesting [illegible] action [illegible] of her Majesty's Government was out of the question, [illegible] be made [illegible] whether white settlers [illegible] desired [illegible]. On that subject [illegible] spoke with [illegible] sincerity [illegible].

The Sudan Plantations Syndicate [illegible] administrative [illegible] which finances a Government, and [illegible] and should [illegible] operate there, the [illegible] and the Natives each [illegible] of the [illegible] those who had provided the finance, the technical [illegible] and managerial [illegible] but [illegible] enough to recompense the financiers, and [illegible] projects which could otherwise [illegible] growing and [illegible] Bowring admirable [illegible] so far failed [illegible] principle in [illegible].

Discussion on Economic Developments.

[illegible] that [illegible] the question [illegible] Colonial Office last August [illegible] should be paid by the Colonial Office [illegible] of economic development. Although [illegible] individuals, the officers of the Colonial Office [illegible] directed to administer the Colonies rather than developing them. He would like to see [illegible] industries connected with the Colonies consulted regularly and freely by the Colonial Office.

Several other members instanced cases in which they had endeavoured unsuccessfully to obtain decisions from the Colonial Office on points of principle, and Mr. Leslie Orme attributed part of the trouble to the fact that [illegible] of policy which the Colonial Office took in individual Governments. That, Sir Montague Barlow suggested, was inevitable under our present system, which required amendment so that a change of Governor would not affect general policy, as it too frequently did at present.

Major Cavendish-Bentinck stated that Colonial Governments normally [illegible] assistance to anyone who desired to initiate a development which might bring [illegible] in the Crown Colony system, [illegible] many [illegible] out of [illegible] others. Abdication [illegible] everything else [illegible] private thinking [illegible] At present the [illegible] had not fulfil [illegible] function. No [illegible] had [illegible] into an unwieldy [illegible] in which technical [illegible] departments sat round a table and urged the difficulties from their own points of view, whereas what was wanted was a small [illegible] that initiated policy and schemes of development and thereafter co-operated along definite and [illegible] lines.

It was resolved to invite Lord Hailey to address the Council on this subject at its next meeting.

Common Colonial Policy.

The Chairman reported that some [illegible] copies of the Board's memorandum on Mandates had been distributed, copies having been sent to all members of the [illegible] of Parliament, to the Press at home and abroad, to many public men and public bodies. The response seemed encouraging.

Requests having been received from speakers to [illegible] the British case, it was decided that [illegible] possible, the Board should [illegible] to find a suitable man on leave from [illegible] not being because he could speak with up-to-date local knowledge of feeling in the territories, but because an opinion on his political affiliations would [illegible] of Tanganyika or even of Kenya [illegible] British settlement, and the speakers [illegible] that [illegible] duty to the black [illegible] contemplated [illegible] of a Mandate. It would be a [illegible] of duty [illegible] people in East Africa not to oppose [illegible] strengthening of white settlement.

[illegible] letter was read from the British Union of Fascists, which pleaded for a return to Germany of at least a portion of the mandated areas. It was agreed that it was useful to have had an official statement of the views of the British Union of Fascists, but they were not felt to have any substance.

Secretary of State and East Africa.

The Chairman reported that Sir Humphrey Leggett, [illegible] Chamber [illegible] as Chairman of the London Board, had [illegible] received informally by [illegible] Orme Gore, to whom they had represented the views expressed by both bodies on the desirability of a thorough and [illegible] examination of the whole basis of East African taxation, and the undesirability of introducing [illegible] tax [illegible] without the closest co-operation [illegible] Colonies. The matter was still [illegible] but it could be said that the Secretary of State had [illegible] sympathetic with the views put forward [illegible] Humphrey Leggett was confident that there was [illegible] intention of forcing the pace.

East African Tea

Encouraging Impressions of an Expert

THE tea industry of East Africa is a young one, but it is growing strongly and vigorously against odds, and is a real tribute to the energy and vision of our fellow-citizens in the development of some of the outposts of the British Empire.

These are the conclusions of Mr. Spencer B[illegible], director of the old-established tea merchant[illegible] firm of [illegible] Lyons, who recently [illegible] them from an extensive tour of the tea growing [illegible] East Africa. His [illegible] tea men in London a few days ago.

Speaking of his visit in [illegible] he mentioned Mandala House, built in 1882 by the brothers John and [illegible] Moir, founders of the African [illegible] Corporation [illegible] two-storey brick house [illegible] Nyasaland of which these two men were the [illegible] pioneers, having gone out as young men in 1877 with the object of establishing trading centres, assisting the abolition of slavery, a long and difficult mission, but one which [illegible] with great success.

The name of Mandala had a curious history. John Moir's shop [illegible] roses filled the silver [illegible] which collected [illegible] summer. The native word [illegible] roses, *mandala*, and it became the nickname [illegible] Moir had taken for the company, which he [illegible] founded. The word also acquired the meaning of [illegible] straightness, honesty [illegible] more [illegible] the Rue and of estate [illegible] explained that on the west side of Mlanje [illegible] flourished, for the rainfall was [illegible] year, on the other side of [illegible] had [illegible] so, that tea growing is impossible [illegible] tea bushes in this district are more than 30 [illegible] remarkable for their high [illegible] fields, [illegible] coming from [illegible] which runs through the estate, carrying with it a type [illegible] very valuable to the tea bush.

An idea of the primitive conditions under which tea was withered in Portuguese East Africa was given by a picture of some sheds with thatched roofs and open sides. These costs [illegible] but little [illegible] would [illegible] astonishing to have [illegible] obtained a good quality tea from such primitive equipment.

Magnificent Properties

Such conditions did not, of course, apply to the large estates such as Beira, the 3,000-acre property of [illegible] Lyons. On visiting these estates he was given the most up-to-date equipment [illegible] plantations [illegible] Mlanje, Mowbray [illegible] visited. He found comfort [illegible] both were magnificent properties, [illegible] complete [illegible] installations and equipment [illegible] machinery in every way.

An excellent asset [illegible] Government experimental [illegible] efficient technical staff [illegible] done [illegible] principally in regard to soil cultivation and yield [illegible] generally [illegible] surprisingly [illegible] available [illegible] Brazil [illegible] the frontier of Portuguese East Africa [illegible] the same [illegible] numerous [illegible] terms [illegible] plate before [illegible] passed [illegible] are issued.

Nat[illegible] bor[illegible] lands neither English nor Portuguese [illegible] attaches [illegible] mysterious [illegible] Miss Jowett [illegible] spins [illegible] laughing [illegible]

[illegible] Brew [illegible] boys with the [illegible] Nyasaland [illegible] to the inter[illegible] territories [illegible] but [illegible] the [illegible] able to [illegible] of the tea [illegible] the Southern Highlands of Tanganyika. [illegible] the weeks [illegible] 68 [illegible] hail [illegible] and transport [illegible]

[illegible] in Tanganyika the tea areas were widely [illegible] communications [illegible] more primitive [illegible] there were hotels [illegible] the plantations [illegible] in Nyasaland. Elevation and soil were very [illegible] tea cultivation, in some parts of Tanganyika [illegible] one of the most [illegible] plains above the Equator [illegible] highlands, but they thought that this climate [illegible] cultivation occurred only in patches, and there was [illegible] method. [illegible] tea production [illegible] the Tanganyika Coy [illegible] and [illegible] the tea properties [illegible] and Uganda. While in Nyasaland tea plucking [illegible] in Kenya crops [illegible] most [illegible] The [illegible] bushes [illegible] Nyasaland [illegible] in general [illegible] but in Kenya the bush [illegible] three [illegible] and is unfortunate [illegible] crowding [illegible] with the [illegible] for the [illegible] Thus up to [illegible] beyond the [illegible]

Admiration for the Pioneers

[illegible] Kerich[illegible] manager of the African Highlands Produce Company [illegible] this property and that of Messrs. Brooke Bond & Co., Ltd., were the two best examples of up-to-date tea plantations from every point of view, including accommodation for Europeans and Natives. Of Kericho [illegible] good, the [illegible] excellent, and it is obvious that the tea was being manufactured under the very best conditions. The African Highlands Company now had 5,000 acres planted. A hydro-electric installation and [illegible] Estate [illegible] and electricity supplied to all the factories and to the European houses.

[illegible] together [illegible] astonished [illegible] admiration for the work which had been done by the pioneers. In Nyasaland [illegible] had been [illegible] great and difficulties and [illegible] through. In Kenya they had to [illegible] earthquakes, [illegible] and the two plantations referred to were [illegible] magnificent properties. He was convinced that when the bushes had [illegible] they would be able to [illegible] character and quality [illegible]

Best Portrait of Mr. Rhodes

Sir James McDonald's Project

[illegible] East Africa [illegible] to publish [illegible] of the painting by Sydney Kendrick of a new portrait of Mr. Cecil Rhodes [illegible] to publish the first [illegible] public reproduction to appear in the Press.

Sir James McDonald, an old friend of Rhodes, [illegible] one of his biographers, and [illegible] of Southern Rhodesia, [illegible] writes:—

[illegible] considers the portrait of Mr. Rhodes recently painted by Mr. Sydney Kendrick to be the best [illegible] of the great Empire-builder in his later years. It shows him, in a characteristic attitude, [illegible] addressing, [illegible] pose—when he was [illegible] and making points [illegible] northern expansion to the chartered shareholders or [illegible] the [illegible] public on the Nor[illegible] other important matters. [illegible] anyone who knew him, and who knows Rhodes, thinks highly of the [illegible] Mr. Kendrick, who [illegible] name [illegible] the [illegible] has [illegible] much [illegible] reputation. He [illegible] artist.

Modern Group

[illegible] collection of the [illegible] Group of [illegible] will be held [illegible] Gallery, House, Park Place, St. James's, [illegible] at 3.30 p.m., when Colonel Colin Harding, [illegible] Rhodesia, Contributor [illegible] will speak on "African Campaigns."

Experimental Motor Caravan

[illegible] Mile Call [illegible] traveller, who [illegible] speak [illegible] Sahara [illegible] Sahara [illegible] carry [illegible] successful in African conditions, his [illegible] convoys [illegible] such caravans, each with two [illegible] and a bathroom, the [illegible] being [illegible] carrying the [illegible]

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Commander Lovett Cameron

Biography Invites Co-operation

To the Editor of "East Africa and Rhodesia."

SIR,—I am preparing a book on that great African explorer, Commander Verney Lovett Cameron, R.N., who was the first European to traverse the Continent of Africa from East to West (1875). I shall be grateful for any help your readers can give me.

Letters or other material entrusted to my care will be carefully copied and returned promptly. I should be exceedingly grateful if any of your readers can put me in touch with the relatives of the late Commander Cameron.

Yours faithfully,

Hebron, W. ROBERT FORAN.

Burchfield, Common, Berks.

Temperatures in the Tropics

Questions Awaiting Answers

To the Editor of "East Africa and Rhodesia."

SIR,—The awkward problem of how to use a [illegible] 100° [illegible] by Sir [illegible] Watson, though his method [illegible] quick handling and prompt reading of the instrument, but I cannot follow Colonel Drake-Brockman's technique.

A clinical thermometer lies before me as I write. The scale is marked in fifths of an inch from 95° F. to 111° F., though the bore extends far enough for 110° F. to be registered. Half an inch below the lowest scale mark the bore is twisted in fashion which checks the downward movement of the mercury column. The temperature of the air above my table is 95° F. The clinical thermometer reads 97° F., and there is a space below the twist in the bore.

I shake the thermometer vigorously. The mercury goes below the lowest scale mark, and if I continue to shake, it stops finally one-tenth of an inch below the 95° mark. There is now a continuous column of mercury from the bulb up, and the space previously visible has disappeared.

So far very well. I now place the thermometer and the mercury rises until it registers 103° F. I put it down on the table and [illegible] to register 103° F. [illegible] the twist in the bore prevents the mercury from falling. Come again. But suppose the temperature of the air over my table had been 103° F. No amount of shaking would bring the mercury down, because there would be a continuous column from the bulb upwards. How then do Colonel Drake-Brockman [illegible] by shaking his thermometer to register a [illegible] temperature [illegible] 103° F. when the air temperature is 100° F.?

Another point. Unless [illegible] time [illegible] instrument [illegible] half-hour at least, [illegible] have more than one [illegible] clinical thermometer by putting it into too [illegible]

Yours faithfully,

J. ALLEN.

Lymington, Hants.

The Habits of Wild Dogs

Insufficient Respect for Man

To the Editor of "East Africa and Rhodesia."

SIR,—To illustrate an interesting habit of wild dogs, and also that they do not respect *homo sapiens* as they should, I recount the following:—While hunting in the Charter District I saw an ostrich behind three or two wild dogs. He had a good lead, but two more dogs emerged from a thicket [illegible] course and took up the chase. Further on two more replaced the tired pursuers. I did not see the end of the hunt, but the ostrich's pace was slackening when I saw him last.

In the same district a pack of wild dogs chased a native youth into the kitchen of a farmhouse, and on one occasion, while cycling unarmed along a [illegible] path, I found myself among a pack of them. I shouted at the top of my voice, but they only showed their teeth and stood their ground. I did some shouting and was not troubled further.

Salisbury, Yours faithfully,

Southern Rhodesia.

E. A. and Rhodesian Shares

On the London Stock Exchange

To the Editor of "East Africa and Rhodesia."

SIR,—[illegible] drew attention to the [illegible] East African and Rhodesian [illegible] in the daily record of London Stock Exchange share purchases, and shortly afterwards, admittedly as a result of your intervention, the Committee decided to list Rhodesian and East African shares under a separate heading.

There are, however, still many anomalies which need to be corrected. Why, for instance, should Tanganyika Concessions and Globe and Phoenix be included under the main "Mines" heading? And why should London Australian and General Exploration Company and Leonora Corporation continue to appear under "Australia"? I believe that either company has any interests in Australia today. Certainly their main interests are African.

Yours faithfully,

London, S.W. "NJIANI."

POINTS FROM LETTERS

"The paper in its new cover is very attractive and refreshing to see. The old cover was too like a desert."—*From a well-known Orange business man.*

"Many congratulations on the new get-up of the paper. It is bigger and better than ever—better only because your readers get more, but of the same good and reliable quality which has always characterised your paper."—*From a leading East African advocate.*

"Your new cover, design and the much improved general get-up are excellent. Though the inclusion of Rhodesia was, in my opinion, a bold move, I am sure you have done a great deal to encourage East Africans to take more interest in what is happening in neighbouring British countries, and *vice versa*. Hearty congratulations."—*From a well-known Nairobi business man.*

A Gift of "East Africa and Rhodesia" sent as a Christmas Gift to anyone in an interesting in East Africa or Rhodesia would bring fifty-two reminders annually of the giver. A subscription form appears on the inside back cover.

Statements Worth Noting

In 1920 only [illegible] of [illegible] in Tanganyika were able to read and write; now 40% are literate. *Annual Report on the Sudan.*

"Most licences are cheaper in Uganda than anywhere else in East Africa." *Sir Philip Mitchell, Governor of Uganda, in his report on revenue and taxation.*

"There is no racial barrier to infectious disease." *Dr. A. J. W. Hobbs, Medical Officer of Health for Salisbury, in his annual report.*

"Governors come and Governors go with distressing frequency." *Mr. P. W. Sherrett, President of the Nyasaland Chamber of Commerce.*

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." *I John, ii. 15.*

"In connexion with the reorganisation of the Secretariat, care will have to be taken lest the net result is that we have three expensive Secretariats instead of one." *The Kenya Weekly News.*

"European settlement in the north (of Nyasaland) would meet with immense approval from the Natives already living there." *Sir Gerald Kittermaster, the Governor, addressing the Nyasaland Legislature.*

"The future of British Colonies in Africa and especially the Mandated Territories is in a Federated British States of Africa." *Captain F. E. Harris, the Southern Rhodesia Minister of Agriculture.*

"There are many evidences that the Natives themselves appreciate good and sanitary housing, and improvements as to space, lighting and ventilation may be seen in Native villages." *Annual Report, Northern Rhodesia.*

"Ernest Raymond writes of his characters as being 'economically adult, mentally adolescent, and spiritually infantile.' How far does that description apply to the men and women of Kenya, and most important of all, to ourselves?" *The Kenya Church Review.*

"The Labour Party wants amalgamation with Northern Rhodesia, but they also want to ensure that the government of the country will be in the hands of the people living here and not in Downing Street." *Mr. H. H. Games, M.P., addressing the Rhodesia Railway Workers' Union.*

"Every year more Africans are being subjected to increased requirements in schools, in industry, and as a result of the many changes which make it increasingly necessary for almost every adult African to obtain a return for his labour in cash." *Annual Report of the Director of Medical Services of Kenya.*

"If the Government is not anxious to upset the labour market in the building industry by employing too many men on Government buildings operations at the expense of private contractors, it might well consider the possibility of importing selected tradesmen from Great Britain." *The Sunday News, Bulawayo.*

"Copper is now 100% £40 a ton, and it costs about £20 to produce. The mines are making huge profits, and we ought to consider whether we cannot follow South Africa's example in taxing them, and thus share in the prosperity of the huge industry on a [illegible] scale." *Mr. J. D. Moore, M.L.C., Northern Rhodesian Legislature.*

WHO'S WHO

3380 Dr. Frank Dixey, O.B.E., D.Sc., F.G.S.

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Perhaps the best tributes to the work done in Nyasaland since 1921 by Dr. Dixey, the Director of Geological Survey, are to found in the fact that the Colonial Development Advisory Committee which allocates its funds with such care has accepted each of the substantial applications made by Dr. Dixey's department for assistance towards the mineral survey of the country and a preliminary survey of the question of water supplies for the native communities.

During the war Dr. Dixey served with the Royal Engineers and later with the Royal Garrison Artillery, which he left in 1919 on the Western Front. He was recalled in 1919 to be sent to Sierra Leone as Government Geologist, a post he held for four years, and three and a half years later was transferred to Nyasaland as Director of Geological Survey. His "Handbook for Water Supplies" published in 1928, though written particularly for Colonial use, has been adopted in Great Britain and generally [illegible]. He has given much time to the investigation of economic and scientific problems connected with the Protectorate of Nyasaland and neighbouring territories, much of his work has appeared in the departmental reports and papers to scientific journals.

PERSONALIA.

[illegible] R. Tanner [illegible] Nairobi [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] has won the Nakuru Golf Club championship [illegible]

Mr. Muir Nasmyth [illegible] Indians to Moshi [illegible]

[illegible] Chinyanga has been re-elected to the Nyasaland Town Council.

Mr. J. Cole, of Amika Estate, Zomba, has left Nyasaland for England.

[illegible] Mrs. A. E. [illegible] left Zomba for England on holiday.

Lady de la [illegible], of [illegible] Bishop, Kumbira, has been visiting Southern Rhodesia.

Mr. Justice Wilson Wylie, who [illegible] has taken his seat as Puisne Judge in Tanganyika.

Mr. E. Parker, [illegible] has retired from the Presidency of the Cape Agricultural Society.

Mr. F. [illegible] Johannesburg [illegible] Chibia [illegible] and will shortly [illegible] Mombasa, [illegible] month.

Major R. H. G. Higgins has been appointed Chairman of the Tanganyika branch of the Legion.

Mr. F. J. Lock has been appointed Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax in Nyasaland.

Dr. H. J. O'D. Burke-Gaffney has been appointed Chairman of the Darwin Salem Boy Scouts Local Association.

Mr. [illegible] Deputy Principal Commissioner and Assistant Secretary, is on leave.

[illegible] Mr. M. [illegible] in Nyasaland [illegible]

Colonel [illegible] formerly [illegible] of the Rhodesian Detective Force, [illegible] secretary of the Dulverton [illegible]

Captain [illegible] representing Messrs. Harris & Co., of London, [illegible] recently visited the Rhodesias.

Mr. N. C. Ridley, the Northern Rhodesian District Officer, has been transferred to the Legal Department as Crown Counsel.

Mrs. Kenneth [illegible], whose husband [illegible] Service, [illegible] to traders in [illegible] the children [illegible] Southern [illegible]

Mr. J. [illegible] MacNab, one of the Rhodesian directors of the Barclays Bank, D.C. & O., has left Bulawayo for a short holiday in South Africa.

[illegible] Governor of Northern Rhodesia [illegible] the Royal Society of Arts last [illegible] the Awemba people.

[illegible] Mombasa to Mongalla on an appointment as Acting Provincial Director of Agriculture, Kenya.

[illegible] Governor of the [illegible] Congo, left Boma last week for Dundo [illegible] to the Congo [illegible] French Equatorial [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] has been appointed District Officer of the Sukuma Kwondo district, and Mr. [illegible] of the North Kwondo district of [illegible]

Mr. Monroe Brock has been appointed Secretary-General of the Colonial Press Association in succession to the late Monsieur [illegible]

Mr. Robertson [illegible] Chairman of the Union Castle Line, left London [illegible] Gibbs of the Landowner [illegible]

[illegible] Russell, of Broken Hill, has been on [illegible] Russell, Acting [illegible] Northern Rhodesia, and Lady Russell [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] Curator of the Museum of Natural Sciences at Philadelphia, has accepted an appointment [illegible] East African Foundation [illegible] Museums Association.

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] the champion [illegible] section and [illegible] cup at the annual [illegible] the Blantyre section of the Nyasaland Volunteer R[illegible]

Lieutenant-Colonel [illegible] has been [illegible] in Salisbury for the past [illegible] Portuguese Consul and Secretary [illegible] Affairs, has been transferred to Beira.

Mr. C. M. Higgins, Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, was unanimously elected President, and Mr. [illegible] Phillips, Chairman of the United Party, at the annual congress at Bulawayo.

[illegible] Mr. A. H. [illegible] Tanganyika Government Entomologist, [illegible] Immunity Coffee Research [illegible] Secretary, Mr. [illegible]

[illegible] Director of Education [illegible] Royal Empire Society [illegible] to-day on [illegible] Aspects of Education [illegible]

[illegible] M. King, the [illegible] Uganda, [illegible] Dates, [illegible] on a brief visit to Eng[illegible] who [illegible] he will come to England on [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] who have [illegible] several years in Beira, where Mr. [illegible] been [illegible] the local sport club [illegible] have now transferred to Northern Rhodesia.

Dr. [illegible] Simpson, a distinguished zoologist who many years ago carried out research work in marine economic products in Portuguese East Africa, was [illegible] port demanding from the steamer "Kyrenia" in the Mediterranean last week.

[illegible] Mr. Justice Francis, formerly Attorney-General in Tanganyika, reached the coast [illegible] there were no cases down for the [illegible] and he was presented with the [illegible] by the [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] W. Sharpe has been re-elected President of the Nyasaland Chamber of Commerce, with Mr. J. Marshall as Vice-President. The [illegible] Messrs. H. C. Duncan and W. H. Timms are the delegates to the Chamber to the Convention of Associations.

In connection with the transfer of the head office of the East [illegible] of the Standard Bank from Mombasa to Nairobi, several members of the staff have now taken [illegible] residence in the capital, including Mr. [illegible] and Mr. [illegible] Loyd.

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] Hutt, the Tanganyika Assistant [illegible] has been at [illegible] considerable period, [illegible] where, in [illegible] with [illegible] Brown, he wore [illegible] in Action.

[illegible] Mr. Godfrey Rhodes, General Manager of the Kenya and Uganda Railways is due to leave Londonderry by air on Sunday. He hopes to [illegible] England and Switzerland with his two sons and [illegible] Christmas and to be back in Nairobi [illegible] holiday.

Mr. [illegible] Antis, the former Northern Rhodesia Administration Officer, and Mrs. Antis are leaving from Marseilles by the [illegible] on December 31 for Durban. They will return in February by the "[illegible]" [illegible] in Egypt and Italy, and [illegible] England in April.

Mr. W. Irwin Cosey, [illegible] Bulawayo, and District Grand Master [illegible] District Grand Lodge of English [illegible] Southern Rhodesia, leaves England with [illegible] two [illegible] on Saturday, in the "Llanuta" after [illegible] holiday in this country. It is just [illegible] years ago [illegible] to Southern Rhodesia.

ENGAGEMENT

[illegible] AND BYWE.—The engagement is announced between [illegible] Bywater, Kenilworth, and, only son of Mrs. Ward [illegible] B. H. Ward, formerly of Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, [illegible] Norah Montague Moffatt, elder daughter of Mr. [illegible] Montague Moffatt, Kensington, London, formerly of Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia.

Mr. [illegible] Vickery, [illegible] son of Mr. [illegible] B. McAlister, of Tarporley, Cheshire, and Miss Doreen Theodora Ingham, daughter of Mr. [illegible] Ingham, of Torquay, formerly of Hollywood, Northern Rhodesia, [illegible] to be married on January [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] Brown to marry Miss Eastwood [illegible] Griffiths, [illegible]

[illegible] King [illegible] planned [illegible] Under Secretary of State [illegible] Director General of [illegible] Southern [illegible] Commander [illegible] Under Secretary of State [illegible] Design [illegible] Director of Public [illegible]

Lord Islington, who was Governor of New Zealand from [illegible] Under Secretary of State [illegible] for the Colonies [illegible] Chairman of the Imperial Institute from [illegible] and President of the African Society in 1915-16, died in London on Sunday. He was the father of Lady [illegible] and was [illegible] during Edward [illegible] Governor [illegible]

Captain Ian Brown, M.L.C., has resigned from the Presidency of the Northern Rhodesia Agricultural Society, an office which he has held for thirteen years. Warm tributes to his work for the society were paid at the annual meeting by the new President, Captain [illegible] Pendson, and Mr. E. D. Kirby, and it was [illegible] agreed to [illegible] funds for a suitable [illegible] in appreciation of his services.

The engagement is announced between Miss Mary Norah Owen, [illegible] Owen, elder daughter of Mr. [illegible] Owen, formerly of the Northern Rhodesia [illegible] Administration, and [illegible] Robert Edward [illegible] son of the late Mr. E. K. Ward and Mrs. Ward, formerly of Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia. Miss Owen was born in Northern Rhodesia and Mr. Ward is at present on the Kisumu [illegible] Lobeli Waterfalls Company.

In the latest list of Colonial Office transfers including the following: Captain [illegible] A. Ritchie, Game Warden of Kenya, to be Chief Game Warden in the Federated Malay States; Mr. A. Muchmore, Senior Assistant Treasurer, Bagamoyo, to be Finance Officer in Aden; Mr. W. [illegible] Empriere, Senior Assistant Auditor in Kenya, to be Auditor in British Guiana; Mr. [illegible] Carter-Bax, to be Assistant Director of the Tsetse Research Department in Tanganyika; and Mr. C. Bope, Postmaster General in Nyasaland, to the corresponding office in the Gold Coast.

Mr. F. G. M. Issels's death in Bulawayo severs another link with pioneer days in Southern Rhodesia. Staff Mr. Issels and an infant son he trekked up from Johannesburg in 1896, the journey taking him nearly eight months, and an account of which he compiled shortly before his death. Their first home was a Bulawayo "Pioneer Cottage" where [illegible] Issels and [illegible] centre of social life in early [illegible] Colony. [illegible] Rhodesian Aviation [illegible] Airways, Mr. Issels did much for the promotion of civil aviation in the Colony. He is survived by his son, Mr. H. [illegible] Issels.

Death of Mr. E. W. [illegible]

A Man of High Character

[illegible] US [illegible] secret of the [illegible] of [illegible] in Alton, Hampshire, of Mr. Francis [illegible] C.M.G., who retired two years [illegible] from the appointment of Provincial Commissioner, [illegible] Mr. [illegible] He was a man who had earned and continued to enjoy the admiration and affection of all who knew him.

Sir [illegible] Cameron, the former Governor of Tanganyika Territory, writes:—

"I had known Brett intimately for 10 years. He was one of the senior District Officers in Tanganyika Territory when I arrived in the country in 1925, and I met him for the [illegible] at Bukoba in May, 1926. There he [illegible] which has since borne hundred[illegible] under the Bukoba Native [illegible] the most important units of local [illegible] the Territory. He found the [illegible] distrustful of each other; it was difficult [illegible] out districts to come into head[illegible] willing to visit the home district, [illegible] they did come at his summons they brought [illegible] food and water with them, I was informed.

"[illegible] the Provinces were formed soon after [illegible] was [illegible] amongst the first of those appointed Provincial Commissioners, and as a recognition of his successful administration of the provinces of which he was in charge from time to time, he was awarded the C.M.G. on his retirement in 1934. I saw a good deal of him and his work when he was in charge of the Eastern Province for several years, with his headquarters in Dar es Salaam.

Expressed His Views Fearlessly.

"I had noticed with appreciation at Bukoba in 1926 that he possessed the valuable quality of being able to express his views frankly and fearlessly, and I recollect clearly a few several years afterwards in Dar es Salaam he rendered valuable service to me in criticising, with candour [illegible] admired and encouraged the proposals of Government [illegible] Bill prepared at the instance of the Secretary of State to revise the law [illegible] Territory in [illegible] flogging. [illegible] I was [illegible] in abolishing corporal punishment for [illegible] offences, and we had several very frank conversations [illegible] in my office at Government House. [illegible] other [illegible] the Bill was subsequently [illegible]

"Brett had a very bad illness in Dar es Salaam in 1929, and on more than one occasion during its course I was informed [illegible] the evening [illegible] would not live [illegible] the night. He was pulled through that illness by the devotion of his great friend Dr. Shirtcore and [illegible] and [illegible] of the European Hospital. He [illegible] Tanganyika Territory and after being invalided home, and [illegible] fear [illegible] must have been [illegible] recollection [illegible] 1933, [illegible] the [illegible] which [illegible] so many [illegible] with full [illegible]

"Brett was [illegible] character and great personal charm [illegible] public [illegible] respected and admired by [illegible] the whole community in Tanganyika [illegible] He [illegible] for years a close [illegible] friend of myself and [illegible] last dinner [illegible]

Alternate Charm.

"Major Harry Rowe, who served with Brett in Tanganyika [illegible] kept in close touch with him [illegible] and who last [illegible] him only [illegible] writes:—

"[illegible] Brett [illegible] or [illegible] made courtesy that brought him [illegible] who [illegible] knew him [illegible] a [illegible] and [illegible] clear, [illegible] and [illegible] character [illegible] would [illegible] them.

"He [illegible] died [illegible] bravely, more [illegible] of others than himself. Not only for the work he [illegible] but for the remembrance [illegible] he [illegible] and lovable character."

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Rhymes of the Old Plateau

A Volume with a Wide Appeal.

[illegible] GETTIE [illegible] entitled "Rhymes of the Old Plateau," is published this week by [illegible] Africa and Rhodesia at 4s. post free. It is the work of one who thinly disguises his identity under the initials R. R. M., and the pseudonym "Kasama," and though many of the verses refer specifically to Northern Rhodesia, almost all them will appeal generally to East African and Rhodesian, for they are imbued with the spirit of Africa and deal with a wide variety of subjects.

Take the tribute to "Brama Sand":

"We shall not see his like again,
Those years of service that more than earn
His passing leave [illegible] us then,
Recall the days of comradeship and mirth
In those good years in our community.
He builded better than he ever knew
From life's rude pain he shed immortality
By reason of those piercing eyes of blue
That sent the message from his inner part
To aid [illegible] take heart [illegible]
[illegible] are example [illegible]
New joy in life unto a [illegible]
[illegible] Where a love for him [illegible]
[illegible] in their hearts his memory is sweet."

This is a well-framed epitaph which might have been written of many a man who has served our territories with singleness of [illegible]

[illegible] particularly happy as an interpreter of the [illegible] of other [illegible] This he depicts [illegible] District Commissioner of the old type soliloquising [illegible]

"[illegible] in the [illegible] or [illegible]
[illegible] merchants and coloured cloth
[illegible] the customs and belief
[illegible] in ignorance and sloth."

But soon [illegible] time man has recovered his true outlook on Africa, and, in anticipating his enforced retirement, can plead:

"[illegible] I [illegible] not [illegible] scamp [illegible]
But knowing that my efforts help to build
Contribute, and bring to peace a land
Where generations yet unborn may dwell
With greater [illegible] a firmer stand."

[illegible] verses on [illegible] on tour, [illegible] lonely bush [illegible] of pioneer [illegible] transport [illegible] boys, and [illegible] blessed [illegible] chiefs on [illegible] game and [illegible] of [illegible] and nursing [illegible] on angling and planting. In short, it [illegible] an active [illegible] of a great cross-section of typical East African life.

Born [illegible] 1885, [illegible] of Fleet Paymaster [illegible] he [illegible] at the Royal Naval [illegible] Eaglan [illegible] the Mounted Rifles, in [illegible] transferred to the Royal Warwickshire Regiment in [illegible] 1906, and [illegible] to [illegible] Assistant [illegible] Resident. From 1917 [illegible] to the Governor [illegible] Kenya [illegible] 1918 was also secretary to [illegible] Tanganyika [illegible] attended [illegible] the [illegible] of war. He was soon recalled to [illegible] administration [illegible] Commission in 1926.

Mr. Brett was [illegible] at Norwood on Monday. Among those [illegible] were Colonel J. M. Llewellyn [illegible] Colonel and [illegible] Fitzgerald, Major and Mrs. Rayne, Major J. [illegible] Ward, Mr. P. C. A. Fuller-Maitland and Mr. W. [illegible] A. Shepherd.

Sir Robert Brooke-Popham

Entertained by Royal African Society

THE RT. HON. [illegible] H. [illegible], the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, [illegible] last week [illegible] an informal dinner of the Royal African Society, at which Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Governor-elect of Kenya, and Lady Brooke-Popham were the chief guests.

Others present were:

Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] H. Allsop, Lady Ruth Balfour, Sir Montague and Lady Butler, Mr. F. [illegible] Bateson, Sir H. Hesketh Bell, Commander [illegible] Blunt, R.N., Lord and Lady Burnham, [illegible] Sir John and Lady Caulcutt, Major [illegible] Cawood, Mr. Bentinck, Sir Theodore and Lady Chambers, Mrs. Chalmers-Bryce, Mrs. Cochran-Patrick, Miss Eleanor Colt, Major C. H. Dale, Dr. and Mrs. J. McDaniel, Captain C. T. Dawnport, Sir Edward and Lady Dawson, Mr. J. Morewood Dawson, Mrs. Dreschfield, Captain and Mrs. E. Drought, Sir Percy H. Ezekiel, Mr. L. Forbes, Colonel Sir Henry and Lady Galway, Mr. H. R. Rainford Gordon, Sir William Gowers, Sir Edward and Lady Grigg, Captain [illegible] Hardcastle, Colonel [illegible] Herbert Hayes, [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] J. [illegible] Sir Joseph Theodore [illegible]

Mr. J. [illegible] Keith, Colonel [illegible] Knaggs, Major and Mrs. A. V. Lambert, [illegible] Leefe, Sir Owen Logan, Sir John Lucey, [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. B. Nicholson, Major [illegible] Pine, Sir Charles Orr, Colonel and Mrs. [illegible] Major-General R. Pope-Hennessy, Sir Hesketh and Lady Bean, Mrs. Audrey Richards, Mrs. M. Roberts, Mr. Senger, Miss [illegible] Scovell, Captain Donald Simson, Mr. J. Smith, Miss M. Stewart, Mr. C. F. Strickland, [illegible] Swinburne, Mrs. G. Thwaites, Sir George and Lady Tomlinson, Mr. [illegible] H. L. M. Tritton, Mr. John Twaddy, Colonel R. W. G. Vereker, Mr. H. E. Welby, Sir Archibald Weigall, Mr. and Mrs. Eric S. Welch, Brig.-General [illegible] Samuel and Lady Wilson, and Miss Wrench.

Questions in Parliament

Replying to Mr. [illegible], Mr. Oliver Stanley said the Tanganyika Government was paying attention to problems arising from the employment of Natives in the Lupa gold-fields, and a special effort was being made in particular to deal with the incidence of scurvy. He would send Mr. Paling a memorandum regarding some of the measures taken or contemplated by the Tanganyika Government. An authoritative local committee had reviewed the general labour conditions in Tanganyika, and the report was expected early in the new year.

Asked by Mr. Paling what steps were being taken in implement the proposals as to soil conservation in Kenya made by Sir A. [illegible], Mr. Oliver Stanley said the Kenya Government was [illegible] fully alive to the vital importance of soil conservation. He added: "The problem affects both the settled areas and the Native areas, and I may say that the [illegible] operation of administrative and technical officers [illegible] have also been glad to learn, of the [illegible] rendered [illegible] individual [illegible] all sections of the community [illegible] office. [illegible] taken to [illegible] are the [illegible] section [illegible] community which [illegible] arrangements [illegible] of [illegible] concerned."

Mr. Grimsby-Kane replied [illegible] share the view that the fact that [illegible] are paid into the [illegible] any local fund constituted an anomaly [illegible] directly [illegible] other sections of the community in the benefits arising from the grants by Government of mining royalties. Secondly, they derived very substantial direct benefits from the success of the mines, since [illegible] by [illegible] the probable employment now available to them, the easy and extensive market providing for their produce, and the subvention [illegible] paid to local Native Councils for the benefit of the community directly affected.

Christmas Air Mails

Last on Tuesday for Africa

IT IS ANNOUNCED that the latest date for sending airmail letters to East Africa and the Rhodesias in time for delivery before Christmas is Tuesday, December 15. The postage rate in each case is 6d. per half-ounce, 3d. for post-cards.

President of E.A. Dinner Club

Sir William Gowers was unanimously elected President for 1937 of the East African Dinner Club, and Captain the Hon. F. E. Guest, M.P., Vice-President, at Tuesday's annual general meeting.

Mr. F. S. Joelson, proposing a vote of thanks to Sir Humphrey Leggett, the retiring President, said that that office of honour had hitherto been entrusted only to men who had laboured conspicuously for East Africa, and that none had worked with greater zeal and assiduity than Sir Humphrey to master the major problems of the territories.

The committee was re-elected *en bloc*.

Mines and the African.

The effect of modern civilisation on the mining [illegible] the African is the subject of a British [illegible] League conference to be opened at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow at the Aviation Club, 14 Albemarle Street, W.1. The Rev. T. Cullen Young will speak on "The Exodus to the Mines and its Effect on Home Life and Status of African [illegible]." He will be followed by other speakers, including Dr. Audrey Richards and Mr. Wilfred Wilson, of the International Labour Office. Sir John Harris will conclude the morning session with a talk on the internal development of the Protectorates. In the afternoon the subject of "Land Shortage" will be discussed from the Kenya point of view by the Rev. L. J. [illegible] and from the Rhodesian standpoint by Mr. [illegible]

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Our Great Discovery

[illegible] has been [illegible] contemporary [illegible] journal of the Royal Empire Society, in its current issue.

[illegible] Tanganyika Territory [illegible] entitled [illegible] Mnyiko work certainly appears to have [illegible] assistance for the [illegible] transmission of persons, goods and [illegible] South and North Rhodesia, Portuguese [illegible] East and West and German East Africa, the refusal of the [illegible] great to Nassalam on the ground that Nyasaland was not specifically mentioned [illegible] only to confusion [illegible] change of name [illegible].

[illegible] obvious [illegible] to help the Territory [illegible] transport [illegible] essential [illegible] efficiency of the Cape to Cairo route. It will be interesting to see what results [illegible] a revelation of possibilities hitherto apparently overlooked.

The monthly journal of the Overseas League likewise deals with the same subject and says that [illegible] the facts [illegible] Africa and [illegible] receiving trains running into hundreds of thousands [illegible] years [illegible].

Fact and Legend

Judged from the standpoint of the quality of the articles in the second number just issued, *Tanganyika Notes and Records* has quickly [illegible] the Government's enterprise in undertaking publication [illegible] considerable [illegible] to the culture of [illegible] adopted [illegible] sources, and thus presents a wide range of articles. Mr. C. de la Beche Barker, who knows this particular [illegible] unmatchably describes the [illegible] Rufiji Reserve [illegible] but the [illegible] can stand for [illegible] but does not say, though we could hazard a guess, [illegible] he has exiled himself there, but it is evident that he has found it a [illegible] and ever-changing interest.

The [illegible] at Mbeya [illegible] Mendel [illegible] Tanganyika [illegible] Organisations [illegible] Sleeping Sickness Concentrations," by J. C. S. Grindle, and "The Kilimanjaro Glaciers," by W. Hemsteger, are other articles which indicate the variety of interests covered by the Review.

A note of [illegible] interest by the Rev. [illegible] Reusch [illegible] "The Meaning of the Native names [illegible] Kilimanjaro [illegible] Kibo, Mawenzi, Kahili, [illegible] Ngaro," the Shining Mountain, [illegible] Ngaga, the Spotted Mountain [illegible] Oldonyo Ong'ida, the White [illegible] which the writer remarks, as well [illegible] the Menelik legend was the first king of Ethiopia, a son of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba.

Returning victorious from his wars in the south, he met death [illegible] where encamped under the dome of Kilimanjaro, and he decided to [illegible] his slaves, jewels and the signet ring [illegible] into a [illegible] glistening ice-cave where he went [illegible] made a prophecy that [illegible] rise and find the jewels and [illegible] that moment could be ended [illegible] of Solomon, and would conquer again all the land down to [illegible]. The article relates that a few Ethiopians [illegible] with Menelik [illegible] in the Italian war of 1896 are [illegible] amazed [illegible] astounded and [illegible] when [illegible] Reusch told them of his past ascent of Kilimanjaro [illegible] Kibo [illegible] notes on Kiswahili and English [illegible] the work of the Cleveland Clinic [illegible] Northern Tanganyika, and various [illegible] book reviews and letters.

Mr. Fraser Criticised

[illegible] leading article last week was strongly [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Fraser's outburst in *The [illegible]* [illegible] the absurdity of some of [illegible] and the unpractical nature of his proposals [illegible] internationalisation of a colony. Major G. St. J. Orde-Browne replies in the current issue of the same journal as follows:—

"The exercise of a Mandate by one particular country is sometimes represented as an opportunity for unjustifiable profits. Many an native system is an elaborate [illegible] elusive income [illegible].

"The enthusiastic internationalist frequently [illegible] a mixed *Tiama*, with a staff recruited from a variety of races, preferably those free from the taint of imperialism. [illegible] consideration may [illegible] doubt be feasible and possibly useful, especially in scientific research. In the actual work of government, however, the experienced will remember the difficulties of ensuring smooth running [illegible] with well-matched teams. Imagination falters at the vision of the Chinese Provincial Commissioner endeavouring, [illegible] to soothe the Italian schoolmaster's [illegible] the [illegible] Italian [illegible] to justify the sanitation recommended by the [illegible].

"He seizes his opportunity to drive home other points which cannot too often be stressed. Thus:—

"The oppressive effect of European legislation and civilisation upon the unsophisticated [illegible] target for hostile but very largely uninstructed [illegible] Quarantine rules, veterinary regulations, [illegible] and so forth [illegible] by those [illegible] to the primitive African [illegible] and liberty, and he prefers a Government which will leave him to squander his heritage unchecked by the [illegible] of preventible disease. It is one of the advantages of bureaucracy that it can carry out requisite measures without the regard for popularity which is so [illegible] weakness of democracy. The steady [illegible] the fight against hookworm, yaws, venereal [illegible] other such [illegible] and the immense [illegible] wealth derived [illegible] exportable crops may be cited as instances of [illegible] such powers.

"An honest [illegible] on with the position as it [illegible] should serve as a [illegible] and the [illegible] Mandate. The recognition of the African's [illegible] and the [illegible] self-government which are the characteristics of the Mandate system present features unknown before the War. Much remains to be done, and lapses from the highest standard are unfortunately easily found; as a whole, however, the past 15 years will [illegible] to have [illegible] far to justify the hope [illegible] with the new doctrine well based."

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Mining Policy in Uganda

Governor's Important Statement

I SAY with all deliberation that it is not by taxing mining companies and miners that we hope to benefit from your industry, but it is by helping you in every way we can to convert dead minerals into live wealth. That is our first duty. With this wealth created, the Government and the revenue will have no further anxiety. . . . The opening of this power station is a sign that we have passed from the preliminary stages of hoping that we have minerals to mine into the much more satisfactory stage of serious effort to profit from that which we do have.

This important statement on the Uganda Government's mining policy was made by the Governor, Mr. F. E. Mitchell, when he recently opened the first hydro-electric installation in Uganda at the Kagera River property of Kagera Mines, Ltd.

Mr. G. Ismael, Chairman of the company, facing the development of the tin industry in Uganda, said the company had not ceased, or even reduced, its activities since it started in 1921, not even during the years of depression. The new power installation at the river and mine has cost £40,000, and the transmission line was over 22 miles long. They were now treating 80 tons of ore daily, which would be increased to a rate of 300 tons daily when day and night running of the mill was introduced.

The company, which also had gold interests in Lubare and a tin area on the Tanganyika side of the river, employed 3 Europeans, 13 Asians and 2 Africans; the average monthly wage bill being £1,000 for Europeans, £600 for Asians, and £2,000 for Africans.

Mr. Mitchell, having expressed the hope that the Attorney-General would not probibit the new installation

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[illegible] Ltd., [illegible] the trustees [illegible] would soon have its mining association. The future [illegible] depended on whether there was anything [illegible] opinion [illegible] this Government [illegible] all the [illegible] the [illegible] of its capacity [illegible] mining field [illegible] a valuable [illegible] market [illegible] employment [illegible] introduced an interesting and [illegible] factor in the economic system. [illegible] great benefit [illegible] Government [illegible] much in revenues as in [illegible] other sources [illegible] that if greater [illegible] industry need [illegible] of drastic experiment on [illegible] by Government.

[illegible] thought the Treasurer might only sound a note of [illegible] that the country should not be [illegible] Mining [illegible] the [illegible] cotton.

[illegible] may rest assured that the more we see of this [illegible] Mining, the more we like the winsome young [illegible] to attached to [illegible] we become [illegible] from this that she can safely put on the robe [illegible] prosperity, and need have no fear of growing [illegible] and richer in maturity, because our affections are [illegible] firmly on the [illegible] bank balance that [illegible] to neglect [illegible] virginity [illegible]

Company Annual Report

Kagera Mines, Ltd., states in their report for the [illegible] June, that 337½ tons of tin were produced [illegible] approximately 71 [illegible] %, realising [illegible] average price of £145 10s. 6d. per ton [illegible] after deducting smelting and realising [illegible] charges. A small [illegible] of gold was obtained [illegible] preliminary sampling and washing on the [illegible] amounting to 53 [illegible] which realised £[illegible]

The report states that the company's liquid resources have been [illegible] the capital expenditure on the hydro-electric power installation and on the extension of the mill [illegible] considerably exceeded the anticipation [illegible] payment of dividends must be deferred, and the directors have therefore taken the opportunity of strengthening the position of the company by making generous provision for the writing off of prospecting and development [illegible] by £10,750. After providing for this and other charges there remains a net profit of £[illegible] which is carried forward.

Ore handled at the Mwirasandu mine amounted to 38,822 tons, of which 34 tons were [illegible] of stones rejected from the actual mine, leaving a net quantity of 55,487 tons treated through the mills, which ran for 4,373 hours, the average rate of throughput being 12.6 tons per hour. Operating costs were £27 10s. per ton of concentrate produced, exclusive of development, redemption, and depreciation. Ore reserves on June 30 totalled 3,735 tons of tin oxide.

On the Lubare gold area [illegible] alluvial deposits have been proved, aggregating 56,5[illegible] cubic yards with a gold content of 85[illegible], and further deposits are being proved during the very slow current. Since the period covered by the current report, the gold production has become increased, and [illegible] to be increased to a still greater extent as soon as the necessary pumping plant now being installed comes into operation, together with the completion of other incidental works. The foregoing relates to secondary (alluvial) occurrences. But indications of primary (reef) occurrences have been found and are being examined.

The annual meeting is to be held in Holland on December 30.

Kavirondo Gold Mines

The report of Kavirondo Gold Mines, Ltd., covering the period from the incorporation of the company on January 25 to June 30 states that during that period underground work on the Kakamega property amounted 1,[illegible] feet. Much of this work was of a preparatory nature [illegible] the sinking of shafts, [illegible] Duke and Kent [illegible] to be further down [illegible] which was criticised in "East Africa and Rhodesia" of December [illegible]

[illegible] progress in the [illegible] work [illegible] overcome, [illegible] ground [illegible] preparing new [illegible] approximate value [illegible] which had [illegible] indicated by the [illegible] formation of the present company [illegible] new [illegible] work was on the Jitsana [illegible] where drifts [illegible] averaging [illegible] dwt. per ton over [illegible] stoping [illegible] width.

In the Kore Multinga section the shaly ore shoot on No. 2 vein, as explored in the adit level, was known to be [illegible] long, averaging [illegible] dwt. over [illegible] during the period under review [illegible] an exploitment winze was sunk from surface to adit level, and has since been sunk 300 ft. below the adit; the values and widths disclosed in the winze being similar to those found in the adit level.

[illegible] prospecting was carried out in the Chausu Point property, where 30 miles of trenches and 55,200 cubic yds. of prospect trenches were cut. In the Chausu lode, 890 ft. of underground development was accomplished to gain more knowledge of the value of the quartz and of the effect of the various folds and faults before beginning deeper exploration. A total length of 730 ft. has been explored underground at 40 ft. depth; of this an aggregate of 250 ft. averaged 0·25 oz. [illegible] 35 in. These results warrant a programme of deeper exploration. Land a new shaft has been begun for this purpose.

It now appears that the productive belt in the Chausu and Bogarn [illegible] The northern part of the area, therefore, has been [illegible] and application was made for a new and promising area of 2 sq. miles to the S.E. of the Chausu area. An exclusive prospecting licence has been granted and prospecting has begun.

The accounts show a cash at bank and [illegible] £105,730.

Kenya Reefs.

Kenya Reefs, Ltd., state in their annual report for the year ended June 30 that since the last balance sheet was issued 63 alluvial claims and seven of the reef claims have been allowed to lapse into the E.P.L. [illegible] claims outside the [illegible] E.P.L. In the last progress report the [illegible] stated that the National Mining Corporation had suspended work temporarily on [illegible] claims at Osiri, [illegible] on testing the [illegible] claims and the [illegible] work was completed [illegible] final evaluation [illegible] River E.P.L. showed a gross gold content [illegible] 36 per cent. [illegible] Corporation stated that this was too small for the large [illegible] they had had in contemplation, and [illegible] scheme was formulated by their consulting engineers, [illegible] S. Williams, who proposed that the Corporation, Kenya Reefs, and Tanganyika Concessions [illegible] section of the Yala River contiguous to Kenya Reefs should [illegible] the alluvial deposits on both sections of the river under a partnership arrangement, entailing the purchase of a dredge costing some £25,000. Tanganyika Concessions were to provide £20,000 of this sum and take 66% of the net proceeds of gold recovered. The directors of Kenya Reefs did not accept the scheme, and engaged Messrs. Bernard Parsons, independent mining engineers, to advise them. They also recommended that the scheme be not adopted, and the option taken by National Mining Corporation has meanwhile lapsed.

Alluvial gold, valued at £130,000 having been proved, arrangements have been made to begin extracting this by a system of travel, jumps and hand-sluicing. This work is anticipated to take 8 to 10 years, and the directors have been advised that the cost of extraction should not exceed [illegible] allowance for considering reopening operations for exploring the reef occurrences.

Kenya Reefs have taken up 500 £1 shares in Yala Consolidated Mines, Ltd., operating on the south side of Kimingi Hill.

The accounts of Kenya Reefs show mining properties [illegible] £75,466, prospecting expenditure, etc., [illegible] mining tools, £1,050; and cash at bank, £1,24[illegible] show the subscribed capital [illegible] and creditors [illegible]. Up to [illegible] National Mining Corporation had expended £8,5[illegible] in testing and prospecting.

Pakaneusi.

At the annual meeting at Nairobi of the Pakaneusi Prospecting and Development Company, Ltd., Lord Francis Scott, Chairman of the company, said that further expenditure on the Government Reef was not justified in view of the poor assay results. They had pegged 42 claims on the most promising parts of the area, and acquired the E.P.L. Since then an agreement had been made tributing the right to work the claims to Kersal Mines, Ltd., for three years, the Pakaneusi Company receiving 12½% of all gold recovered. Up to October [illegible] approximately 243 oz. had been won.

Lonrho and Rhodesian.

Profits of the Lonrho and Rhodesian Mining and Land Company for the year ended June 30 amounted to £120,569, compared with £117,4[illegible] for the previous year. The interim dividend of 5% absorbed £[illegible] and £[illegible] has been written off certain leases, [illegible] and interests, the mining claims. A final dividend of 5% is recommended, making 10% for the year, and an interim dividend of [illegible] is also to be paid in respect of the current year. A valuation of the company's investments, which [illegible] the balance sheet at £[illegible] on June 30 last, [illegible] were worth £[illegible].

Encouraging Prospecting.

[illegible] Pan-African Congress in Bulawayo urged the [illegible] to encourage the working of low grade mines in Southern Rhodesia; that taxation should include income tax, [illegible] and royalties, and that an [illegible] should be made in view of the interest being shown by foreign mining groups.

Business Ahead for Lupa Mines.

[illegible] correspondence regarding possible trade in maize and [illegible] meat with the Tanganyika Goldfields has passed between the General Manager of the Nyasaland Railways and the Nyasaland Chamber of Commerce; and has been circulated to firms and individuals in the Protectorate [illegible] interested.

Increase with Quota.

The International Tin Committee has decided [illegible] increase production [illegible] for the last quarter of 1936. The visible supply of tin at the end of November amounted to [illegible] tons, [illegible] tons last August. Japanese [illegible] Chinese [illegible] Dutch East Indies, Siam, Nigeria, Bolivia, [illegible] are [illegible] the supplies [illegible] [illegible] members are in [illegible] future.

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Mashaba, Rhodesia.—[illegible] 150 tons.

[illegible].—[illegible] 313oz. gold [illegible]

Kimberley.—[illegible] 1,704 hours [illegible] revenue [illegible]

Sherwood Star.—[illegible] revenue [illegible] costs, [illegible] Government royalty, [illegible] Capital expenditure [illegible]

Ebenezer and Motty.—[illegible] tons milled [illegible] costs, [illegible] Government royalty, [illegible] Capital expenditure [illegible] vertical shaft [illegible] level [illegible] on footwall [illegible] reef 650 ft. [illegible] footwall [illegible] reef 650 ft. [illegible] over 34 in.

Thistle-Etna.—Progress report for November shows the development footages totalled 167 ft. [illegible] shaft, 8th level [illegible] 123 ft. [illegible] 410 ft. Ave. value from 315 ft. to 400 ft. [illegible] 5.4 dwt. over [illegible] in. Reef faulted at 400 ft. [illegible] crosscutting [illegible] 4 N. drive, 8r ft. [illegible] av. assay value for [illegible] ft. samples [illegible] over 26 in. 8th level drive, S. [illegible] winze [illegible] level [illegible]

[illegible] Bank [illegible] Company.

Mr. W. L. G. Goode [illegible] £300 damages in [illegible] King's Bench Division last week in a claim against Consolidated African Explorers, Ltd., for [illegible] remuneration [illegible] while [illegible] on the company's [illegible] East Africa [illegible] claim for [illegible] company's [illegible] had been [illegible] East Africa [illegible] Goode [illegible] properties in Tanganyika which [illegible] company's behalf [illegible] and [illegible] for the [illegible]

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Latest Share Prices

Of Commercial Concern

Messrs. Hirsch and Bhatia have opened a factory in Mwanza.

Last year the Rhodesian tobacco crop realised £54,000 over the auction floors.

Production has now begun at the Kwekwe [illegible] of Central Mining and Investment Estates, Ltd.

[illegible] Kenya Government is to purchase the [illegible] Mgeta via Gonja [illegible].

The Labour Party Congress [illegible] the idea of the [illegible] payment of wages in Southern Rhodesia.

The [illegible] Association has protested to the Government that indiscriminate hawking by Natives.

A German [illegible] is trying to sell tractors to Southern Rhodesia, by barter, offering to take in exchange tobacco [illegible].

To offset a £10,000 loss [illegible] the Northern Rhodesian Posts and Telegraphs Department the local postage rate is to be increased to [illegible].

Kenya produces imported for consumption [illegible] Uganda last year was valued at £167,340, the chief commodities being wheat and meal £22,[illegible], maize meal and flour £10,000, [illegible] and soap [illegible].

The total export trade [illegible] the Kenya Uganda Railways during the first nine months [illegible] was 886 tons, compared with 28,000 tons during the corresponding period of last year. The traffic [illegible] amounted to 02,[illegible] tons [illegible] 885 tons.

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THE [illegible] ELECTRIC [illegible]

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Late News Items

The Eldoret Half Ellipse has been gutted by fire.

Blantyre Mission, Nyasaland, [illegible] its diamond jubilee.

The Entebbe and Mengo districts have been amalgamated in one administrative unit.

[illegible] parts of Kingman [illegible] by recent rains.

Bulawayo Turf Club [illegible] the building syndicate's proposal [illegible] the race course [illegible].

A swarm of locusts seen recently near Fort Victoria, Southern Rhodesia, was estimated to be about 5 miles long.

The Uganda Football Association has [illegible] Challenge Cup by [illegible] primary schools in Buganda.

Ten members of the recently-formed Native section of the British Red Cross Society in Salisbury have passed their examinations.

Numbers are announced [illegible] of the Salisbury (Southern Rhodesia) 4% Municipal Loan, drawn [illegible].

The British South African Police calls for 30 recruits from this country. Twenty were wanted for the foot branch and 10 for the mounted.

The issue of [illegible] plans for [illegible] are being investigated by the [illegible] Advisory Committee of Northern Rhodesia.

Share certificates held in Germany of the German East Africa Company are to be deposited with the bankers [illegible] an official order issued last week.

Sir Alan Pim's recommendation that the post of Provincial Commissioner for the Coast Province and Commissioner for Mombasa should be combined is [illegible] in Mombasa.

[illegible] located ample water supplies for the Luaka Native compound's requirements [illegible] in the Jubilee [illegible] been [illegible] attempt [illegible].

[illegible] Standing Committee [illegible] Wages that the Board [illegible] should be to relieve [illegible] permanent, non-pensionable posts and to remove other unsuitable agreements.

The Salisbury Juvenile [illegible] has asked the Government to form a committee of interested [illegible] to examine a scheme for a Rhodesian Farm School, on a school [illegible] Rhodesian children.

A [illegible] portrait by Rhodes [illegible] which now hangs in Sir Abe Bailey's South African home in Mitchenberg, is to be [illegible] Rhodes Museum [illegible] established in Rhodes's birthplace in [illegible].

[illegible]

Good Outlook for Sisal

Reporting on the sisal market during the past [illegible] Wadsworth & Co. state: "The general tendency [illegible] has been a steady upward movement in price of [illegible] coupled with a shortage of supply. [illegible] demand [illegible] has not proved to be the case. [illegible] Inland value [illegible] practically no change from those [illegible] month ago. Throughout [illegible] have [illegible] nearly [illegible] [illegible] and the eventual price must [illegible] [illegible] relationship with similar [illegible] [illegible] probably still hold back [illegible] certainty of [illegible] extent and the full effects of the carry-over of binder-twine from last season. Available supplies of sisal are readily taken up, and shippers are disposed to hold [illegible] to their limits in expectation of more active purchase in the near future.

"Optimistic reports are received concerning the [illegible] extent to which sisal is being used in finer spinning, and this trade is becoming the backbone of a steady demand throughout the year, supplementing the more usual binder-twine requirements. [illegible] indication of what supplies of fibre will be required for the coming season, bearing in mind the [illegible] of wheat, [illegible] markets may be expected before long. Meanwhile, supplies of African for shipment in time for the next harvest are being [illegible] large."

Cheap Wireless Cables.

Cables and Wireless, Ltd., announce special reduced rate for telegrams containing Christmas and New Year greetings between December [illegible] and January 6. Telegrams of 10 words, double sent to East Africa and the Rhodesias [illegible] 6d.

Petty Offences Not Crime.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Salisbury Branch of the Prisoners' Aid Society, Mr. Fraser Russell, [illegible] Young Government of Southern Rhodesia, urged [illegible] on the legal processes concerned with serious crime and petty offences.

Barclays (D.C. & O.).

The annual report of Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.) states that net profit for the year ended September 30 amounted to £[illegible], to which is added £225,000 brought forward, making £624,588. After allocating £[illegible] as a centenary grant to staff and pensioners, £[illegible] to reserve fund and £[illegible] to accounts, an interim dividend [illegible] is proposed to pay a [illegible] dividend at the rate [illegible] in respect of the Ordinary shares, [illegible] bring the total [illegible] (the [illegible] of [illegible] shares of £[illegible] each), leaving £[illegible] to be carried forward, [illegible] £[illegible]. Attention is drawn [illegible] profit and loss account, the net profit [illegible] shown after [illegible] provision for income tax, [illegible] year's profit of £[illegible] was subject to the appropriation of £120,000 to [illegible] account. To mark the centenary of the foundation of the Bank, a grant has been made [illegible] staff and pensioners of 10 [illegible] salaries and pensions.

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Rhodesian Tobacco Export.

[illegible] available from January on Friday [illegible] that the [illegible] will be [illegible] in these [illegible]

Immigration in Southern Rhodesia.

[illegible] immigrants in Southern Rhodesia [illegible] British South [illegible] British home birth and 72 of British South [illegible] There were also 10 South African Dutch [illegible] born and [illegible] foreigners, including six [illegible] Lithuanians, three Americans, two [illegible] and a Swiss.

Nyasaland Tobacco.

The executive of the Nyasaland Tobacco Association has protested against the issue of a Government permit to recruit 500 labourers in the Southern Province to work on Southern Rhodesian tobacco farms, pointing out that this will accentuate the existing acute shortage of labour on Nyasaland tobacco farms in that area.

Cover Suez Canal Dues.

The Board of the Suez Canal Company have decided to reduce the canal dues [illegible] from [illegible] a ton [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] ships [illegible] [illegible] one dues are to be reduced as from April 1 from [illegible] per ton to [illegible] Passenger dues are to be fixed at [illegible] instead of [illegible] 4d.

Royal Empire Society and Over-Seas League.

The proposals for closer co-operation between the Royal Empire Society and the Over-Seas League, summarized in [illegible] have been unanimously approved at a special general meeting of the Society. Details of the proposed [illegible] of the former [illegible] on [illegible] Society members and tribal [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] the two organizations [illegible]

Tsetse Work.

A Joint Research Committee between the Kenya Department of Agriculture and the Kenya Coffee Board has been set up. At the first meeting the chairman, Mr. H. B. [illegible] announced that the Government had agreed to implement Sir Alan Pim's recommendations for the formation of a team of officers, under the leadership of a [illegible] plant breeder, for full-time investigation of work on coffee.

Good Pool Prices.

The Kenya Farmers' Association pool prices for the 1935-36 season has been declared at [illegible] which is a good deal [illegible] [illegible] Farmers' Association [illegible] pool price for first grade wheat was [illegible] 18 cts. to which [illegible] added a contribution of 10 cts. per bag to K.F.A. [illegible] members from the trading account. First advances of [illegible] a bag on maize and [illegible] in which are now being paid by the Association in respect of the [illegible] crop.

Doubling Production.

Commenting on the 100% increase last year in the Protectorate's cotton crop, the annual report of the Nyasaland Agricultural Department states: "This result was brought about by thousands of [illegible] the establishment of new seed depots and markets, and increased care in cultivation, all of which were made possible by [illegible] the efforts of agricultural supervisors to those of the agricultural officers and by increasing the number of native assistants."

Native Industries and White Settlers.

Speaking in the Nyasaland Legislature, [illegible] Wilson claimed that improved transportation [illegible] brought about by the [illegible] enabled the natives to earn their money with the development of native industries that had been [illegible] especially with [illegible] the agriculture [illegible] had been [illegible] area developed [illegible] which had been [illegible] and it [illegible] recovery [illegible] old tobacco conditions of [illegible] and [illegible] made and spent money in the Protectorate, there would be a new era of prosperity in the southern part of the country.

East African Market Reports.

At last week's auctions there was good competition and firm prices for the better Kenya qualities. Lower grades were slow. The small quantity of Tanganyika offered sold on steady prices.

Kenya.

A sizes	54s. 6d.	
B sizes	48s. 6d.	
C sizes	45s. 6d.	
Peaberry	54s. 6d.	
Mild coop.		
Pale		

Tanganyika.

A sizes genuine		
Mild coop.		
Pale	47s. 6d.	

Mbeya.

London cleaned		
First sizes	60s. 6d.	
Second sizes	45s. 6d.	
Third sizes	53s.	

Arusha.

A sizes precisely	61s. 6d.	
Peaberry	59s. 6d.	

London stocks: 41,102 cwt. (1935: 85,019 cwt.).

Mombasa is estimated to handle at least 2,000 tons of coffee annually.

[illegible] MARKET.

[illegible] with Californian [illegible] ship[illegible] per lb. cif.

Cassia Seed.—Firm, with East African at £12 10s. per [illegible].

Cloves.—Quiet. Zanzibar spot, [illegible] at 8½d. per lb. [illegible] Jan.-Feb. 8½d.

Copper.—Lower at £34 [illegible] per ton for standard for cash.

Cotton.—Quiet. Sakellaridis [illegible] 9½d. [illegible] Uganda [illegible] 9½d. [illegible] Uganda and [illegible] October [illegible] amounted to [illegible] and cotton tax collected [illegible] of [illegible].

Cottonseed.—Firm. [illegible]

Copra.—Steady. [illegible] £[illegible] per ton (1935: £[illegible]).

Groundnuts.—[illegible] at £[illegible] (1935: £[illegible]).

Kapok.—[illegible]

Sisal.—East African [illegible] sold at [illegible] Jan.-March, £[illegible] buyers. [illegible] March, £[illegible] sellers. [illegible] March, £[illegible] buyers. [illegible] Dec.-Feb. quoted £[illegible] sellers. [illegible] (1935: £[illegible]).

[illegible] during October [illegible] Uganda 160 tons Sisal exported from Tanganyika during November totalled [illegible] 1,003 tons were sent to Belgium, [illegible] Great Britain and 56 tons to America.

Tea.—Firm, with [illegible] selling at more than [illegible] per lb. [illegible] from [illegible] and small parcel of Rhodesian [illegible] (1935: 11d.).

Wax.—Easier. [illegible] 108.

Wool.—Unchanged. [illegible] realised rather higher prices [illegible] last week. [illegible] super [illegible] sold at 17½d. to [illegible] per lb. [illegible] Bellies at [illegible] to 14d. [illegible] Bellies and pieces at [illegible] lb.

[illegible]

The Italian Cycle Building Company reports a net profit of £473,485 (equal to more than 25% on the capital) for the year 1935. The report states that while the export trade of the company increased substantially during the year, [illegible] the last few months more than doubled.

East Africa and Rhodesia—Rainfall in the Territories.

[illegible] Dependence of Trade and Commerce [illegible] the following information received in London has reached us during the periods [illegible] in the territories [illegible]:

Kenya. Week ended November 28.—Eldama [illegible] 0·25; Kabete, 0·25; Kericho, 0·25; Kisumu, 0·05; Luuru, [illegible] 0·04; Machakos, [illegible] Maji Mazuri, 0·25; Makindu, [illegible] Mbaraki, 0·25; Mikindani, [illegible] Mombasa, 0·17; Molo, 0·29; Naivasha, [illegible] Nakuru, 0·03; Nandi, 0·03; Ngong, [illegible] Nyeri, 0·12; Ol Kalou, 0·30; Rongai, 0·12; Rumuruti, [illegible] Simba, [illegible]; Thomson's Falls, [illegible] Voi, 0·12 inch.

Tanganyika. Week ended November 27.—Arusha, [illegible] Bukoba, [illegible] inch; Dodoma, [illegible] Iringa, 0·28; Kabanga, [illegible] Kigoma, 0·41; Kilwa, [illegible] Kondoa, 0·08; Lushoto, [illegible] Mahenge, 0·02; Mbeya, [illegible] Morogoro, [illegible] Mwanza, 0·03; Musoma, 0·02; Old Shinyanga, [illegible] inch; Pangani, 0·30; Tabora, [illegible] Tanga, [illegible] and Ulanga, [illegible] inch.

Uganda. Week ended November 28.—Butiaba, [illegible] inch; Fort Portal, 0·08; Gulu, [illegible] 0·03; Kotido, [illegible] 0·27; Lira, [illegible] and Mubende, [illegible]

Bank's Trade Review.

The Standard Bank of South Africa includes the following in its current review [illegible]:

Kenya.—Trade [illegible] steady [illegible] seasonally quiet [illegible] carried in both, but well held. [illegible] indicate increasing importance of [illegible] of the part. Some activity in [illegible] bazaars anticipated as result of enhanced prices [illegible] dealing by native crops. Kisumu bazaar [illegible] owing to [illegible] of groundnut and maize [illegible]

Uganda.—Inter-season quietness in Uganda bazaars. Commitments generally [illegible] to be regularly met.

Tanganyika.—[illegible] the coffee [illegible] of [illegible] Bukoba [illegible] Bukoba [illegible] of year [illegible]

Southern Rhodesia.—Agriculture [illegible] and fertilisers have proved and [illegible] steady [illegible] Building activity [illegible] maintained. Owing to keen demand sales of [illegible] in business number have been effected at figures [illegible] excess of [illegible] valuation.

Northern Rhodesia.—Trade generally steady [illegible] but [illegible] Lusaka below expectations for this time of year.

Nyasaland.—General trade quiet, particularly in Northern Province owing to poor cotton returns. In the Southern Province European trade above last year's level, [illegible] business in Native section [illegible] falling.

Italy and Ethiopia.

[illegible] recognition [illegible] by Italy, it reported from Rome, the small Central American Republic of San Salvador, being hitherto the only [illegible] to recognise Manchukuo. [illegible] communique states that Italy has [illegible] respect Japan's commercial and other interests [illegible] specially favourable consideration [illegible] Advancing towards [illegible] security system.

There are now [illegible] in Addis Ababa [illegible] 5,000 temporary [illegible] the country.

[illegible] Haile Selassie [illegible] that the [illegible] between [illegible] 2,000,000 informed a [illegible] that the security of any Italian [illegible] would be [illegible] mighty [illegible] likely.

The Emperor of Ethiopia is fining a large merchant [illegible] 1,000 alleged to be the [illegible] of [illegible] Wichman, of Addis Ababa.

Telephone calls between Rome and Addis Ababa cost [illegible] a minute.

An Abyssinian Christmas Embassy, a mission of [illegible] to Ethiopia, will be received by Princess Tafari [illegible] on December [illegible]

Passengers for East Africa

[illegible] Castle, which left London on December [illegible] for South Africa, carries the following passengers:

[illegible]
Gore, Miss K.
Hall, Mrs. M.
Harrison, Miss R.
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] left London on December [illegible] passengers for

[illegible]
Kilen, Mrs. H.
Ayres, Mrs.
Barbeau, Rev.
[illegible]
Bibbey, Miss G.
Bowles, Mrs. M.
Chadwick, Mrs. G.
Coates, Mrs. K. E.
Fraser, Miss S.
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Henshaw, Mr. H.
Hitch, Mr. & Mrs.
Horne, Miss
[illegible]
Queville, Rev. A.
Raddatz, Mr. R.
[illegible]

[illegible]
Mutavenn, Miss
[illegible]
Thumann, Colonel & Mrs.
Thwaite, Rev. [illegible]

Tanga

Suffern, Mr. T. H.

Dar es Salaam

[illegible]
Butler, Rev. [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
Fereday, Mr. & Mrs.
Huie, Mr. & Mrs.
Kerr, Mr. & Mrs.
Low, Mr. & Mrs. H.

Passengers from East Africa

The m.v. [illegible] Bosfontein, which arrived in Southampton on December 8 [illegible] the following passengers [illegible]

[illegible]
Bibbey, Captain [illegible]
Fraser, Mrs. L. M.
[illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Scala, Mr. & Mrs.

East African Mails

Mails for Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika and Zanzibar close at the G.P.O., London, at 6 p.m. on

Dec. [illegible] per s.s. Rawalpindi.
Dec. [illegible] per s.s. Mooltan.
Dec. 30 per s.s. Grantilly.

Inward mails from East Africa are expected on Dec. [illegible]

Mails for Nyasaland, Rhodesia and Portuguese East Africa close at the G.P.O., London, at 10 a.m. each Friday.

Outward air mails close at the G.P.O., London, at 10 a.m. each Tuesday and Friday.

The last air mail to reach East Africa and Rhodesia before Christmas leaves London on December [illegible]

Air Mail Passengers

Outward passengers by the air mail which left London on December [illegible] included [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. A. Reynard to fly to Nairobi, Mr. [illegible] to leave Bangkow including Mr. [illegible] C. Cayzer, [illegible] Khartoum; Mr. [illegible] Morrison, for Kuba; Dr. [illegible] Holliday, for Kisumu; and Captain and Mrs. [illegible] Haviland, and Mr. [illegible] Haviland, Jnr., for Kisumu.

EA Service Appointments

[illegible] appointments in the East African Public Service were made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies during the month of November:

Zanzibar. *Dental Surgeon.* Mr. [illegible] Rutter. *Nurse Sister.* Miss [illegible] Wardropper.

Recent transfers and promotions include:

Mr. C. H. G. Bradley, Assistant Auditor, to be Senior Assistant Auditor, Uganda.

Mr. P. C. C. Fuller, Assistant Treasurer, Kenya, to be Assistant Treasurer, Nigeria.

Mr. F. R. H. Green, Inspector of Mines, Kenya, to be Superintendent of Surveys, Lands and Mines Department, Uganda.

Mr. M. C. Hallier, Assistant Inspector of Police, to be Inspector of Police, Tanganyika.

Mr. V. T. Hockin, Assistant Inspector of Mines, to be Inspector of Mines, Tanganyika.

Mr. F. M. King, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Tanganyika, to be Commissioner of Police and Prisons, Uganda.

Mr. [illegible] S. Lamb, District Officer, to be Deputy Commissioner, Tanganyika.

Mr. [illegible] Campriere, Senior Assistant Auditor, Kenya, to be Auditor, British Guiana.

Mr. A. J. R. Lucas, Assistant Auditor, Nigeria, to be Assistant Auditor, Uganda.

Mr. A. Muchmore, Senior Assistant Treasurer, Tanganyika and Finance Officer, Aden.

Mr. S. Napier-Bax, Senior Field Officer, to be Assistant Director, Tsetse Research Department, Tanganyika.

Mr. S. Pope, Postmaster General, Nyasaland, to be Postmaster General, Gold Coast.

Captain [illegible], Game Warden, Kenya, to be Chief Game Warden, Federated Malay States.

Mr. [illegible] Vickers, Harris, Assistant Director, Tsetse Research Department, to be Director of the Department of Land and Mines, Tanganyika.

Mr. [illegible], Postmaster, Nyasaland, to be Superintendent, Posts Department, Nigeria.

Mr. [illegible], Assistant Traffic Superintendent, to be Traffic Superintendent, Tanganyika Railways.

Mwanza Sisal

The annual report [illegible] Mwanza Sisal, [illegible] year ended June [illegible] and Port of Beira during the year [illegible] increased [illegible] that trade [illegible] not yet resulted [illegible] demand [illegible] increased during the trade depression. The only [illegible] effected during the year were [illegible] of land in the case of the company's property [illegible] from the [illegible] was [illegible] land owned by the company [illegible] 667 acres [illegible] across for the year [illegible] 2,488.

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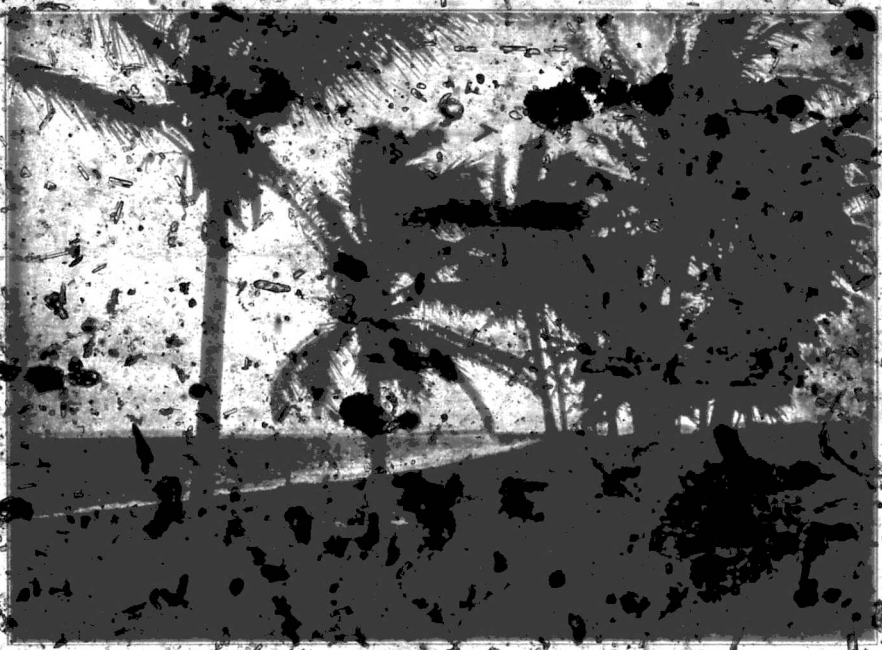

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[illegible] Portuguese [illegible] of the Territory [illegible] Mocambique [illegible] and the [illegible] Lake [illegible] Nyasa and Rhodesia. [illegible] Mozambique [illegible] Rhodesia [illegible] Beira [illegible] equipment [illegible]

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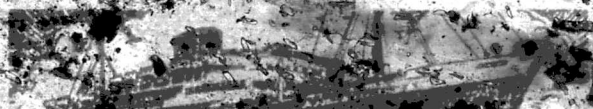

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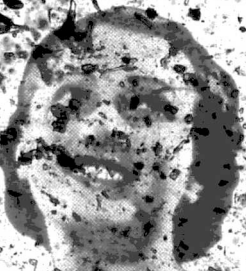

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God Save the King

A FORTNIGHT ago, on Thursday, December [illegible] London newspapers were, for the first time [illegible] compelled by circumstances to [illegible] the marriage plans of King [illegible] A few weeks ago, on December 10, the King [illegible] asked Parliament to pass [illegible] which would pass to his brother [illegible] to the statute [illegible] simple subject. [illegible] such [illegible] solemn [illegible] solemn [illegible] *Africa and Rhodesia* did not feel that [illegible] helpfully on a situation which distressed every citizen in the Empire capable [illegible] understanding what was at stake. For that reason no reference was made in these pages to what was [illegible] the minds of millions, and perhaps particularly the minds of those who devote [illegible] one [illegible] another to the [illegible] the Greater Britain beyond the seas, since they, more than most of their fellow-citizens, realised the strength of the mystical links with the Crown which bound the Mother Country with the Dominions and the Colonial Empire.

Now there is a plausibility to give utterance to the strong conviction within us that the British Dependencies between the Nile and the Limpopo will afford abundant proofs of their unbounded loyalty to King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, whom they have known as the Duke and Duchess of York, and the memory of whose East African visit will never fade from the recollection of those who came into contact with them. So keen was their interest, simple their friendliness, and gracious their every act. Strong is the affection of East Africans from the time the first [illegible]

[illegible] new King and Queen have [illegible] fold that admiration and [illegible] burden which others have [illegible] assumed. It is a good omen that the first act of the new King should be to take the name [illegible] borne by his father. To the sterling character [illegible] King George VI the Aren[illegible] bishop of Canterbury [illegible] solemn and impressive tribute in his memorable broadcast [illegible] Sunday night. That His Ma[illegible] the Crown a new strength [illegible] prayer and [illegible] of his subjects [illegible]

[illegible] single thought [illegible] that would [illegible] end be best for all [illegible] King Edward in [illegible] momentous decision of [illegible] life he has himself [illegible] persuaded to think that his proposal [illegible] morganatic marriage could never find acceptance [illegible] the Mother Country or in the self-governing Dominions, the consent of all the Parliaments which was requisite, and realising that he could [illegible] the Throne only with the unimpaired [illegible] he renounced the sovereignty of one [illegible] the surface and peoples of the earth. He had been the greatest Ambassador of Empire [illegible] done magnificent service by his visits [illegible] foreign countries and his alert interest in [illegible] affairs, who had come to his Throne with [illegible] and supported by the highest hopes [illegible] his people, decided to lay aside his high [illegible] The vast majority of citizens felt a poignant personal grief at the withdrawal of [illegible] a personality so human, unaffected, [illegible] accessible and understanding a monarch; but with their sorrow was mingled the unshakeable faith that [illegible] was incomparably greater than

its individual wearer, and that abdication [illegible] in the circumstances.

Through the bewilderment, suspense, [illegible] pain and dismay of a fateful week the nation [illegible] itself nobly. Not since the War has there been such searching of hearts, so wide a measure of selfless consideration for the good of the realm, so firm a conviction that duty must be put before private preference or sympathy. Amid a well-beloved King who seemed to be [illegible] to obscure the common [illegible] of stability and responsibility, there was almost universal agreement that the Throne must not be compromised. At a time when the very fabric of the Empire was being tested, Parliaments, Press and peoples [illegible] overseas combined themselves with admirable restraint. Censorship was completely absent; patience and generosity [illegible] judgment.

Speaking upon the manifest stress of emotion, [illegible] His Royal Highness King Edward—the world knows for the short period between the laying aside of his Crown and the conferment of the Duchy of Windsor—addressed the greatest concourse of listeners who ever heard a single human voice. His farewell broadcast message was played throughout the world. [illegible] and the whole world was therefore witness that he made his abdication with dignity, without a trace of bitterness [illegible] and in a spirit of loyalty to the British peoples, to the Constitution, and to the brother who had succeeded him. There were heavy hearts in Britain [illegible] so ardently his subjects had hoped [illegible] his [illegible] before [illegible] himself in the exi[illegible]

[illegible] the future only weave [illegible] those who have lived close [illegible] unrelieved [illegible] Fortune, the man who [illegible] the fighting hopes of his subjects, and [illegible] was [illegible] taking his trust, for the hope of [illegible] personal happiness he craved, but which they [illegible] in [illegible] unattainable all the way. The proposed [illegible] are [illegible] compatible with his kingly duties.

As Prince of Wales he was [illegible] and once the [illegible] fell under the spell of his charm, and which will therefore the more deeply regret the termination of a reign which opened [illegible] ten short months ago. [illegible] upon the Throne of England a father and two of his sons. [illegible] their mother, Queen Mary, the [illegible] of the Empire has gone forth, upholding [illegible] sorrow.

In this searching [illegible] Empire called upon [illegible] and by [illegible] unsuspected reserves of strength, showing the world, and the Empire itself, how deeply the British value the Monarchy, not as an inanimate institution, but as a living and essential symbol and safeguard of their common life.

Nothing has [illegible] more remarkable than the unanimity [illegible] tributes. In almost every civilised country the leading newspapers have borne testimony to the way in which a grave and sudden crisis had been [illegible] by a nation that [illegible] some of them had been [illegible] as effete and [illegible]. To quote a leading American journal, calamity [illegible] a [illegible] triumph [illegible] People [illegible] God [illegible] the King.

MATTERS OF MOMENT

ONLY by [illegible] closer contacts between [illegible] neighbors and governed in the individual territories, and by the spirit of [illegible] between [illegible] and [illegible] can East African and Rhodesian progress [illegible] reasonable [illegible] of its potential achievements. One of the [illegible] encouraging features is the growth of that realisation, a development stimulated [illegible] by the regular [illegible] services between [illegible] and Africa and [illegible] Africa. The interchanging of visits by men of affairs has grown greatly [illegible] by the use of the air men whose [illegible] themselves and to the causes to which they devote their lives are able to visit Africa to see and hear things for themselves, and so form their judgments on the [illegible] instead of being somewhat misled perhaps by second-hand reports, each of which, however well-intentioned, is subject to the inevitable risk of being coloured by the particular views of the reporter, whether he be a high official or a dispassionate [illegible] of professional [illegible]

[illegible] Mr. Ormsby Gore, Secretary of State for the Colonies, a great believer in seeing things for himself, who has, we believe, visited [illegible] Africa [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Tom [illegible] East African Governors [illegible] though his present office may make it impossible for him to travel, he intends his departmental officials to tour East Africa from time to time. There is everything to be gained by such visits [illegible] by such action as the secretary of [illegible] the East African Governors [illegible] a valued member of the staff of the Colonial Office. It is [illegible] desirable—indeed even more desirable that [illegible] in East African public life should visit England [illegible] the [illegible] should [illegible] part of their visits to establishing [illegible] contacts by which they can the better gauge what is being done in this country for their own territories in particular, and get to know the men who are trying to serve East Africa and Rhodesia self-[illegible]

Last Saturday Major [illegible] W. Cavendish-Bentinck, M.P., and Deputy Leader of the European

[illegible] Organisation [illegible] Major Cavendish-Bentinck's [illegible] Eastern Africa [illegible] with deliberations for [illegible] to be counted to the credit of this non-official member of the Kenya Legislature that his horizon is not bounded by the frontiers of Kenya, and, having chosen it as the [illegible] of his residence, it must be assumed to rank first among the Dependencies in his affection. The fact that his stay coincided with political war [illegible] with anti-popularity in Germany and England on the subject of German Colonial claims made his presence the more opportune.

* * *

He carries back with him a new insight and responsible opinion in this country with regard to East African affairs, and an inspiration which we hope and believe will tend to a clearer understanding [illegible] and to the obliteration of the feeling [illegible] prevalent in some quarters that the East African [illegible] in London are not single-minded in their devotion to the territories which they purport to represent. Their power to serve is necessarily dependent upon confidence and co-operation from Africa, and if these two qualifications can be strengthened as a result of Major Cavendish-Bentinck's conversations here, they will have valuable permanent results. I had no knowledge that so many men of influence in Parliament, the City and the Press were working so hard, so consistently and so quietly for the good of East Africa, [illegible] on the eve of his departure.

"My eyes have been opened in that important matter, and I return to Kenya greatly heartened and impressed with the number and steadfastness of our friends in England."

Steadfast Friends at Work in England.

* * *

SINCE suggestions now have been made in Nyasaland, and repeated in the House of Commons, regarding the conditions in Native Lupa on the Tanganyika Territory, an authoritative statement on the situation becomes an urgent necessity. Reporting to the Nyasaland Convention of Associations on the subject of alien labour, Mr. W. H. Thomas drew attention to the annual drift of some [illegible] Nyasaland Natives to the Lupa, declared that many of these were young boys who suffered considerable hardships and often received no pay, and that the conditions on the goldfield were alleged to be appalling, labourers invariably returning to Nyasaland suffering from deep ulcers, dysentery and diarrhoea. That is an unqualified general condemnation, and do not hesitate to assert from recent personal knowledge on the spot [illegible] person must realise that neither for white nor black

Tanganyika Allegations.

[illegible] on a comparatively [illegible] developing goldfield with a climate like [illegible] the Lupa, but it is certain that [illegible] Europeans [illegible] in the field [illegible] the victims [illegible] that there have been [illegible] cases of [illegible] employers to live up to the best practice [illegible] no doubt, any more than [illegible] the failures of some employers in England, or even in New Zealand, to make their actions [illegible] with the strict course of their duty.

The suggestion of widespread scandals can be dismissed for other considerations apart, the officers of the Administration and the [illegible] them, who are [illegible] with the Lupa [illegible] and their Native employees would have [illegible] the bud any tendency of that sort [illegible] diggers themselves had not done [illegible] the fellows [illegible] their own reputation was [illegible] when they asked the Government to permit [illegible] a committee of miners charged with [illegible] guardians of the good name [illegible] the field, and empowered to exclude from [illegible] Europeans whose [illegible] necessitated such [illegible] ment has, we believe, had [illegible] which [illegible] have changed their self-sought [illegible] and [illegible] their anxiety [illegible] the latter could [illegible] accept the charges now [illegible] It is to be [illegible] whether any pioneer goldfield [illegible] cleaner record during the dozen [illegible] cover than the Lupa.

Lupa Deserved a Good Reputation.

* * *

UNOFFICIAL members very properly expressed dissatisfaction at the absence of the Post [illegible] from the budget session [illegible] Tanganyika Legislature and [illegible] the [illegible] that the authorities will take [illegible] been necessary [illegible] amalgamation of East [illegible] telegraph services has been proved a financial success, it has not yet completely convinced long-standing opponents of closer economic co-operation of the value of such measures in other spheres. [illegible] any argument, however trivial, which may be [illegible] to show that the interests of Tanganyika [illegible] in the group are being neglected will be quickly seized upon to strengthen opposition to future efforts in co-ordination. Tanganyika has been particularly watchful [illegible] interests in the postal amalgamation, and the central authorities would be advised, in the interest of the larger East African effects involved, to render unto Tanganyika what is [illegible] due, even if necessary [illegible] of inconvenience to other legislatures, the members of which have had longer experience of the operation of inter-territorial measures and are therefore more [illegible] of their value. [illegible] the Postmaster-General to [illegible] group is to meet children [illegible] people who support [illegible] objections of those who declare that Tanganyika interests will be subordinated in the [illegible] closer economic union between the [illegible]

Interests of Tanganyika.

NOTES BY THE WAY

Kinyangiri Death-Bed Curse

DR. Kinyangiri, Paramount Chief of the Kinyaw[illegible] death-bed curse on any of his tribesmen [illegible] outside the reserve [illegible] years ago [illegible] and that that is [illegible] the reserve was [illegible] Mr. L. J. Beech [illegible] which is reported [illegible] as we recollect [illegible] which has been [illegible] discussion has never [illegible] advanced. It would be interesting to have further evidence.

Legislator and the Peasants

QUESTION time in the Legislature of East Africa often produces much of public interest. Dr. [illegible] Bajpai, the conscientious Indian member from Tanga, is apparently determined that the Tanganyika Council shall not lose its opportunities in this respect. Apart from apt quotations his speeches have often been brightened by appropriate motion and verse. Once, following a passage from Rabindranath Tagore, he read an extract from George Shaw's "Man of Destiny" and referred to Mahatma Gandhi, and quoted his words to an Indian poet. "I have found it impossible to soothe suffering patients with a song. The hungry millions ask for a golden [illegible] Food!" The unofficial member for Tanga and of Tanganyika at [illegible] heard, is beating to the time of one poem—illustrating food—thanks to the precision, ability and statesmanship of the Government—and concluded his speech with the words of the poet:

"There is a whisper on the lea, and
There is a star agleam to guide us,
And the night wind is calling while I speak."

Instead of coming to Captain Ryder promptly brought the House back to the hard facts of political realities.

A Nairobi Mystery

[illegible] Nairobi [illegible] years ago when [illegible] shanties and blocks of offices suddenly [illegible] range along what is now Delamere Avenue. [illegible] that time the movements of [illegible] foreign strangers aroused a great [illegible] among certain townspeople and [illegible] interest in the buildings, and the rumour afterwards proved to [illegible] Russian and Soviet Russia and [illegible] other Soviets. [illegible] among the [illegible] sidewalks and [illegible] carefully [illegible] Scots looking for [illegible] Royal Association conference [illegible] home [illegible] thinking [illegible] tour. By the way, and had found interesting [illegible] Nairobi buildings [illegible]

Uganda Official Record

NOT many senior officers of the East African Governments have held important commercial posts in the same territories. Several administrative officers who served in Tanganyika first saw official service in East Africa in a military capacity, having gone on commerce, or farming to take up land, and a number of practising accountants went out originally as members of the legal department of government, but [illegible] record has probably no parallel in East Africa. [illegible] first went to Uganda in 1909 as an officer of the Agricultural Department, from which he resigned a few years later to become manager of a plantation company. [illegible] the following [illegible] however, he returned to the Civil Service and progressed through the various grades to the post of Assistant Chief Secretary, which he held from 1932 until his retirement a few weeks ago. Mrs. Rooks will long be remembered in Uganda for her work in the creation of the European nurses' scheme.

A Travelled African

NEWS of the St. Andrew's Day celebrations in East Africa [illegible] called to the correspondent [illegible] sophisticated African native who has been engaged to help in preparing for an annual Caledonian dinner in East Africa. Having studied the tartan on the menu card, the boy asked if all the "Scots-ies" would be in kilts and, if so, would what the bagpipes. That he [illegible] questions, and it soon became evident that he was not going to be put off by abrupt replies which made him the more loquacious about Scots and Scotland, which he eventually claimed to have visited. "What part?" asked the incredulous white man. "Inverness, Glasgow, Dundee and Edinburgh—but I spent most of the time in Surrey!" came the reply, and to support his claim the old rascal—for he was a genial rascal—quoted a saying about "a brave Highlandman." As a youth in Zanzibar he had worked [illegible] and afterwards engaged by a brother of Cecil Rhodes with whom he returned and travelled [illegible] years, coming, [illegible] England [illegible] school in London. When his mother died he returned to Zanzibar for the sake of the family orphans, and had settled down to do odd jobs as contentedly as if he had never been to Europe.

Three Opinions

[illegible] is another story of an Englishman, an Irishman and a Scotsman. [illegible] one [illegible] Salisbury [illegible] members of the staff of [illegible] Southern Africa. The Englishman said, "Salisbury is the most beautiful [illegible] I've struck." It happened [illegible] raining when the Irishman said, "We are [illegible] in getting this hot weather to cool things down." The Scotsman, probably jingling his coppers, said, "This is a grand place for a farmer's son to come out to from Scotland. He would get on here."

[illegible] between the extremism of [illegible] and neighbourliness. *Thus a leading [illegible] newspaper.*

A Schoolmaster's Lament

By J. Carey Francis, M.A.

"WHY, I've got one of your boys working for us," my friend said.

"Is that so? What's his name?"

"Oh, he's called Abednego Awuor."

"Do you suit, he comes from X School? He came here three years ago last seven years."

"Oh, yes, he's an A.B.C. Mission boy, a rather scoundrel, I'm afraid."

Thus so many conversations have begun.

I am a missionary schoolmaster in Kenya, a member of the A.B.C. Mission, the Principal of a School. Abednego Awuor was never at that school. He possesses, therefore, by no means to claim this, he is a member of the A.B.C. Mission, and it is possible that he attended one of the elementary sub-elementary schools for which we are responsible. It is possible that he covered himself with glory, or it may be that he was kicked out in disgrace. To my friend he is just a "mission boy" to boot, his name and his hat.

When we first came to Africa many of us were troubled by the fact that Africans all looked alike; only slowly they resolved themselves into Opiyo and Ouyango and Owiti; still more slowly, but not less definitely, it appeared, to those who took the trouble, that Opiyo and Ouyango and Owiti were distinct and dissimilar individuals possessed of certainly diverse qualities of mind and [illegible] as Smith and Brown and Carruthers. [illegible] African [illegible] for many decomposes into [illegible] elements: the heading "mission boy" [illegible] the majority [illegible] done so. It represents a class, and all belonging to that class are much the same.

This is serious, for the European and the African, the employer and the mission. Men who would hardly class together [illegible] of a Cambridge College and an under-gardener of the same college who was sacked for dishonesty do not hesitate to deal with Abednego on this basis.

Yet missions in this country undertake at least some educational work. Results vary considerably with mission and missionary, district and tribe, yet a description of the attainments of the country where [illegible] typical [illegible] be worth while. [illegible] stratum consists of sub-elementary [illegible] schools, bush schools, usually with [illegible] untrained African teacher. They meet four [illegible] a week for an hour or two each day. Their education consists of the elements of reading and writing and [illegible] and Christian knowledge. There are hundreds of these schools, a few perhaps harmful, many pretty useless, some worth while, a few centres of light and life to the little community which they serve. Their scholars, if they emerge through the severe test of few years' teaching, still hands can read their vernacular and can sometimes write a little. Some are Christians. Many are baptised. Perhaps Abednego—it is, by the way, who chose his name, often in spite of our opposition—is one of them. He may be a very excellent fellow, but educationally he has not got far.

The next stratum consists of the elementary schools, say, one to each town of the size, an average of two or three in each location. These [illegible] have financial assistance from Government or Local Native Council. Several African [illegible] one for two recently trained [illegible] from scratch, are going on to Standard III. The pupils are days a week [illegible] hours a day. They are supervised by the mission and inspected by Government. Their attainments vary.

[illegible] but not many) who has passed through one of these institutions can not only read and write and do a few sums, but has a poise and some [illegible] an intelligent outlook on life.

In the next stratum are primary schools. I write from one of them. These pick from the best products of the village schools, and there is keen competition. Here, despite severe "quotas" imposed to restrict candidates, we have to examine some 240 candidates each year for admission. The successful ones have a three-year primary course (Standards IV, V, VI) in which they go ahead with their general education under European supervision and with a good deal of European teaching. At the end of these three years, when they have a fair knowledge of English and Swahili and the hope of other [illegible] some go out into the world and some stay on for vocational courses as carpenters, builders, tailors and teachers. A few go on to a two-years' course at a secondary school.

That there are many failures from all these types [illegible] we who do the work would be the first to deny. Some, it is true, leave school with a smattering of knowledge and a swelled head and great [illegible] of a scholarship. We should admit, too, that [illegible] hitherto have not as yet the background of the best-educated Africans of Kenya is a poor one. But we should claim that we have got somewhere that for many jobs the best of our products are trustworthy and capable, that the average is far better than the average uneducated Native; that the difference between these two [illegible] is the same order as the difference between a university graduate and the elementary school boy in England. We should claim that when boys have been in our hands for some years we know something of their potentialities; that our judgment of them is not worthless.

I often hear scorn poured on Africans who desire to be clerks. I understand and share some of the feeling. Yet the fact remains that there is a big demand (often on the part of the scorners) for African clerks. How are these chosen? Usually by asking an old clerk, or even a houseboy, to find someone. That "someone" is engaged with no reference whatever to his qualifications or to those who have taught him. Yet he often fails.

I look down the list of my school's old boys. Time and again I find boys of almost negligible attainments drawing 50s. a month as clerks. For their sakes I am glad they have got jobs, but their employers deserve commiseration. Often I see a mediocre boy take up the money to go to Nairobi, sit down there upon some unfortunate relative of his, send out endless applications, and then one day a private or still more often a Government office opens its doors to him and he is started off at 40s., or 60s. a month.

Such trying to get jobs are harmful in every way. There are far better things than that one, trying jobs but not getting them, to do. Those who have taught them know perhaps that they themselves would have done far better for their relatives richer if he had stayed at home. His employer would have been more satisfied if, instead of taking the boy who turned up on the doorstep, he had gone to a school or to a District Officer.

The good, who refuse missions and refuse to employ, [illegible] in understanding the [illegible] consistent. But [illegible] convert the one who employs [illegible] boys without consulting their missions or [illegible] school. A boy who has completed a course at a primary school will always have a school level [illegible] forth on the difficulties of mission [illegible]

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Future of the Rhodesias.

Challenge to a Contributor.

To the Editor of East Africa and Rhodesia.

SIR,—An article entitled "Impopo to Tanganyika," by Mr. Hodson in your issue of September 17 glosses over some things and misstates others, which makes one rather [illegible] to think he [illegible] Rhodesia.

He fails to mention the [illegible] railway, which is, of course, the outlet for a great portion of Northern Rhodesia, as it brings [illegible] within a shorter mileage of the sea than Beira, while the sea voyage to London occupies about [illegible] while that from Beira takes about five weeks. From Sakania to Lobito is 1,175 miles, but from Sakania to Beira is 1,268 miles, and the country between N. Rhodesia and Lobito is one of the finest you would wish to see, and anything but deserts and swamps, as stated by Mr. Hodson [illegible] Southern Rhodesia [illegible] and has to use the port of Beira or the Union [illegible] would be [illegible] Southern Rhodesia is contiguous to Angola as an [illegible] The Colony is determined [illegible] have a [illegible] short sea route, and [illegible] Political and vested interests stand in the way, but this accomplishment has, of course, probably well aware. Once Southern Rhodesia is able to release itself from the monopoly [illegible] possibly [illegible] more quickly, but meantime there is no [illegible] which is strongly cherished in a large part of the Colony. Southern Rhodesia will remain content with a foreign port [illegible] East Coast. Angola port may suit the [illegible] better than the Union ports, until the African railway terminus at Beit Bridge, one [illegible] is linked up with West Nicholson or Port Victoria.

Mr. Hodson refers to the Land Apportionment Act of 1930, but this Act has [illegible] most people think [illegible] Tied land tentatively marked out for segregation has been defined, and that is all. The Native is exactly in the same position as he was before the Act was mooted, [illegible] exactly as before in the reserves. [illegible] the [illegible] alteration in the situation is that the Native is [illegible] but place which [illegible] has been made to institute segregation, and [illegible] to think of it and know [illegible] the aspirations are perfectly obvious. It [illegible] to gratify them, for they have been [illegible] *ad nauseam*.

Your contributor also [illegible] reference to the Native. There is no [illegible] considerable encouragement [illegible] to the [illegible] There is every bar, and there is no [illegible] the Native is allowed to compete [illegible] or [illegible] gold or [illegible] European style. And to prevent any [illegible] being in a position to enter any of these occupations he is debarred from the purchase of tickets in the Government lotteries.

I do not wish to appear to agree with or to reverse, as regards this policy *re* the Native. I am simply stating the plain facts, which your contributor has failed to do. Your paper is published in England and [illegible] separate parts of Africa, and for the [illegible] of the [illegible] important thing [illegible] appear in it which has [illegible] of [illegible] result [illegible] use, but [illegible] and not quite, in accord with [illegible] fact.

This Colony is in no need of being written up, nor does it require well-intentioned, but misplaced, propaganda; it is quite content to be judged on plain facts and statistics, which [illegible] the Natives, their aims and aspirations, their outlook and their control, its mining, farming and tobacco industries, the possible scope for secondary industries, and, almost the most important of all, the general cost of living in relation to income.

Salisbury. Yours faithfully,

Southern Rhodesia. G. A. EVANS.

Mr. Manfred Hodson's Reply.

[This letter was sent by air mail to Mr. Manfred Hodson, the correspondent in Southern Rhodesia who contributed the article referred to.—Ed.]

Mr. Evans, who knows [illegible] lived for many years in Rhodesia, [illegible] different opinions from mine, but should not [illegible] account [illegible] of the statement of fact.

I dealt with the two Rhodesias and [illegible] group, and said they looked eastward towards Beira. [illegible] distances from Sakania, in the north, [illegible] Lobito is a nearer [illegible] which, as [illegible] so neatly, is abstract. He complains [illegible] that I do not [illegible] mention [illegible] either. It is in my belief East Africa [illegible] impossible [illegible] the sea [illegible] objects to Beira, partly on the ground that it is a foreign port, and names another foreign port, his Walvis Bay, [illegible] practical politics by those [illegible] and deserts. It is in much the same [illegible] Kuiseb River mouth, to reach which great [illegible] would have to be covered, which swamps would have to be traversed. [illegible] Beira is, of course, [illegible] opinion on that [illegible] and I am [illegible] the extent that I believe one should [illegible] upon the West Coast. Indeed, I was contemplating [illegible] a note on an entirely new [illegible] when [illegible] reached me.

[illegible] is not [illegible] say that the Land Apportionment [illegible] of 1930 [illegible] force, or that there are no [illegible] areas, and I do not understand his negative pronouncement in regard to segregation. [illegible] word [illegible] To say that the Native is [illegible] allowed [illegible] for gold [illegible] European [illegible] then what you mean is that he is [illegible] yet supplied [illegible] to do so is misleading, and I do [illegible] that Southern Rhodesia is [illegible]

[illegible] Native is [illegible] an artisan or mechanic, once [illegible] speaks of the European towns [illegible] in that but it is a serious [illegible] that said [illegible] about a great deal of misgivings, [illegible] my [illegible] it clear that I was referring to the Native. [illegible] our correspondent ends up with a [illegible] amounts to a statement [illegible] do [illegible] know [illegible] stalking [illegible] have [illegible] but I [illegible] I know [illegible] thinking of borrowing [illegible]

[illegible] Hodson [illegible] us we have received [illegible] report of the [illegible] Congress, to the [illegible] which Mr. Hudson [illegible] to a question on [illegible] said [illegible] lots [illegible] [illegible] understanding [illegible] were [illegible] Europeans. The estimated annual revenue in [illegible] was £3,800. The purchase price of land was [illegible] a moderate payment being spread over [illegible] years. The Natives showed great progress [illegible] had improved their buildings and methods of agriculture [illegible] satisfactorily.]

Transfers of Officials.

[illegible] in Six Months.

To the Editor of the East Africa and Rhodesia.

SIR,—You [illegible] recently I [illegible] Master of [illegible] recently I [illegible] speaking of retired official from Nyasaland [illegible] told me that [illegible] a junior administrative [illegible] who had been [illegible] six months! Does anything [illegible] even [illegible] remarkable, [illegible] published from Kenya.

Yours faithfully,
[illegible]

London, S.W.

Buffalo Charge a Car.

Petrol Absorbs Their Interest.

To the Editor of East Africa and Rhodesia.

[illegible] of [illegible] fully 200 [illegible] one of [illegible] buffalo charged to within [illegible] and the long line of [illegible] which, with the regularity of [illegible] was a [illegible] scent [illegible] petrol, [illegible] somewhat [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
H. F. ROBINS

Robins Game Sanctuary,
Wankie, Southern Rhodesia.

Mining Share Movements.

Take Your Profits.

To the Editor of "East Africa and Rhodesia."

[illegible] Correspondent's feature that you have [illegible] very sound advice that mining shares should be bought [illegible] margin—that is, [illegible] beginning of a fortnight's account period with the intention of selling them at the [illegible] receiving the balance of the [illegible] which they are sold, [illegible] selling [illegible] to pay the differences [illegible] selling price [illegible] bought.

It is not [illegible] and then to [illegible] sound advice that when [illegible] they should take [illegible] bridge [illegible]

Yours faithfully,
[illegible]

London, S.W.

The Habits of Wild Dogs.

An Experience in Kenya.

To the Editor of East Africa and Rhodesia.

SIR,—In your issue of October 1 there is a very interesting letter from Mr. John H. Taylor on the question of whether wild dogs will hunt lion, and from what Mr. Taylor states it seems to be no doubt at all about the question.

One always knew, of course, that wild dogs hunt lion on such a district which they had taken for their hunting occupation, but I always thought the reason was that the lion cleared the district of the lions natural [illegible]

[illegible] my own good [illegible] statement that [illegible] have not been killed [illegible] station or [illegible] quarter of an hour before [illegible] and two or three of the boys I had with me went back to the station to get some more porters to carry in the skins [illegible]

The remaining boys and I [illegible] the decrease when about [illegible] wild dogs came down from the neighbouring bush and took up a position about 75 yards away [illegible] in what appeared to be an absolutely regular way. They then closed in [illegible] and, [illegible] otherwise, [illegible] two. The others took no notice whatever, but [illegible] to come a little nearer [illegible] I thought [illegible] was about time I left, so I hung up the head, which [illegible] that time [illegible] had set off, and went back to the [illegible]

[illegible] morning there was nothing left at all except the vertebrae [illegible] with the head [illegible] hung up, and three [illegible] one very [illegible] where the carcass of the [illegible] lay [illegible] two small ones where I had shot the [illegible] of which, except for the puddles of [illegible] blood, was no trace whatever. Of course, the good work may have been finished off by [illegible] the dogs had left, but I have no doubt [illegible] first instance [illegible] taken not only [illegible] but also [illegible] two dead companions.

Yours faithfully,
A. C. ROSS.

[illegible] Kenya.

The Benefits of Candour.

British Achievements in Africa.

To the Editor of East Africa and Rhodesia.

SIR,—The frank admission [illegible] the [illegible] for 1936 that, to quote your own review of the document, "there has been an undesirable increase in trade in articles of magic, stones, roots and [illegible] believed to give their possessor supernatural power," is arresting, for not often are governments so candid in these matters.

More [illegible] pity that [illegible] interesting matters of this character are usually passed over in silence, for their inclusion in departmental and territorial reports would help to paint in the background [illegible] the reader not personally acquainted with these countries a fairer idea of those true values and [illegible] development.

One of the characteristics of East Africa and Rhodesia [illegible] approbation is your frequent reminders to readers of what much has been done in Africa [illegible] also in Rhodesia in a very short time [illegible] those of us living in Africa [illegible] sure such [illegible] their [illegible] have cause for despondency. [illegible] even reason to congratulate themselves on what has been achieved, [illegible] with confidence for greater achievements in the coming years.

Yours faithfully,
[illegible] Burns.

Bi[illegible]

[illegible]

East Africa and Rhodesia in its new form is a very [illegible] effort indeed and a great improvement upon the old *East Africa and Rhodesia*.

Your [illegible] the Rhodesias [illegible] to bring East Africa and these two [illegible] much closer together. Congratulations also on the [illegible] of the paper and its scope. Now [illegible] a new [illegible] journal, [illegible] *from a lending writers [illegible] non-[illegible]*

Industrialisation and the African

Discussed in Conference in London

MISSIONARIES with many years' experience of Africa, anthropologists, a school teacher who had spent years in Southern Rhodesia, and a leader of the Industrial Labour Organisation in Africa, including Parliamentary Secretary of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society, took part in a discussion of the effects of industrialisation on the African, promised by the Welsh Home Conference League in London last week.

The British Commonwealth League views with concern the evils arising from the exodus of Natives to the mines, and has asked all women's organisations in South Africa, and all bodies working for the social well-being of the Natives of Southern Africa, to give this matter their careful consideration, and to do all in their power to enable Africans working in the mines to lead a normal family life.

The International Labour Organisation was urged to institute an inquiry into the standard of living of the industrialised Native and his family, with special reference to wages and housing conditions.

The Rev. T. Cullen Young, a missionary in Nyasaland, and now Home Secretary of the United Free Church of Scotland, Literature Committee, referring to the report of the Nyasaland Committee on Emigrant Labour, and to the housing conditions of village life, said it was a mistake to think or to argue that taxation was the root cause of the evil. There were several reasons [illegible] from Nyasaland missionaries [illegible] occupations all having had a hand in the [illegible] directly bearing on the problem. [illegible] Elizabeth hoped might come to Nyasaland forgiving the [illegible] this village situation [illegible]

[illegible]

Education and the creation of employment away from the home village, and the Native Affairs Office originally and most reluctantly accepted responsibility for the country, it was insisted, that it must stand on its own feet as soon as possible. Had they not put aside Lord Cromer's policy they would have prevented the [illegible] that developed, the policy being [illegible] a man of work on a [illegible] there existed [illegible] taxation should be equitable and righteous in its incidence on income which could be assessed.

East African chiefs had deliberately [illegible] that principle and introduced another, based on the entirely [illegible] analogy of the African [illegible] receiving tribute from his people. That analogy became [illegible] as the wonderful [illegible] came into [illegible] only person who [illegible] was the chief, and the African [illegible] which attached to chiefs and [illegible] were equally involved.

Dealing with the growth of a [illegible] countryside, [illegible] one of the greatest fallacies [illegible] that African made the women do all the work. Village life was built up on the [illegible] of labour, [illegible] which the man was responsible for everything that was built; thus one result of the [illegible] men for work in the mines was the [illegible] of many deserted villages.

[illegible] a great step for the removal of feelings of fear and hatred among Africans. Mr. [illegible] stressed the importance of investigating the incidence of taxation. [illegible] was a fortunate thing that Sir Alan Pim's report on Kenya had just been published with three [illegible] recommendations [illegible] taxation. In Nyasaland there should be an extended system of graduation in the tax [illegible] the [illegible] should be raised [illegible] occupied [illegible] the chief [illegible] famous housewife [illegible]

Sir [illegible], Secretary of the Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society, speaking [illegible] the [illegible] South Africa [illegible] Alan Pim's [illegible] Grimsby [illegible] to spend large sums on [illegible] Protectorates, public opinion demanded the adoption of the recommendations of the report. [illegible] generous [illegible] the total [illegible] Africa [illegible] Africans [illegible] part in [illegible] were many [illegible] Church in South Africa [illegible] admission. He [illegible] could be liberated from the colour bar [illegible] the doors should be opened to them [illegible] industrial [illegible] the industry of [illegible]

Mr. Wilfred [illegible] the International Labour Office [illegible] Africa towards a greater measure [illegible] freedom, particularly [illegible] matters, some of which were the abolition of [illegible] not only in British colonies [illegible] forms of forced labour, the abolition of [illegible] penal sanctions and the disappearance in much of Africa north of the Union of former recruiting operations. But [illegible] the decay of [illegible] and of healthy labour [illegible] decay, while [illegible] in its [illegible] growth presents of the past.

The health and social problems created by the congregation of large numbers of Native in employment centres were such the most [illegible] for [illegible] development began to wonder [illegible] were not themselves inherent in freedom [illegible] their solution would [illegible] its [illegible] the interests of the [illegible] the tribe, his village and his lands [illegible] would require more than the [illegible] devoted to his compulsion [illegible] freedom made it more necessary that healthy [illegible] should be encouraged among workers.

Africa's labour problems were more [illegible] than those of Europe, and some [illegible] there might be pooling of international [illegible] One of the [illegible] problems of [illegible] was [illegible] of the major problems [illegible] Native [illegible] the extent to which such a radical change [illegible] should be permitted by consumption development, two [illegible] having to be shared, the direction home life [illegible] the workers.

Not a cheap, but a healthy, not a servile but an [illegible] labour force was the trying need of European industries in Africa. To what extent were family problems [illegible] industrialisation problems of labour? The Belgian Congo had concluded that [illegible] of the adult males could be absent from [illegible] community in distant employment without social decay in [illegible] villages. Such a [illegible] mathematical calculation would probably not appeal to the British administrator, but [illegible] view of the fact that [illegible] some villages [illegible] of the men were absent [illegible] for all purposes [illegible] Congo [illegible] Administration of [illegible] Industrialisation and the [illegible]

[illegible] used at the International Labour Organisation conference in [illegible] Henson said one of the most vital points [illegible] would [illegible] the [illegible] Union Congress, which [illegible] explained [illegible] the [illegible] Union Congress, which [illegible] the [illegible] disadvantages [illegible] the frequent [illegible] of [illegible] labour led to [illegible] and moral problems in mining locations [illegible] which were [illegible] to simplify [illegible] villages [illegible]

In 1927 the company adopted a policy of [illegible] and recognised [illegible] now [illegible] the proportion of married households in [illegible] and it [illegible] to go families in every [illegible] villages and [illegible] centres [illegible] communities [illegible] and villages had been planned with [illegible] and the development of a [illegible] African population was contemplated. There was compulsory education [illegible] children [illegible] generally [illegible] the fathers [illegible]

[illegible] population [illegible] Bradley [illegible] Wendel [illegible] at [illegible] a place [illegible] the welfare and future [illegible] African had a [illegible] and [illegible] be of the greatest [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Problems of the Kikuyu

The Rev. [illegible] said that for years as a missionary among the Kikuyu, [illegible] were witnesses of the breakdown of the old system of family life, and [illegible] to establish a new [illegible] of kinship [illegible] the family groups were weakened [illegible] influences of settlers, [illegible] an individual [illegible] several tribes responsible for this disintegration became [illegible] in many [illegible] collection of taxes, [illegible] in the question of labour, and in the appearance of a number of marriage problems.

Mr. Beecher urged the need for a solution of the tax problem more compatible with the new life in reserves and towns, emphasising that no longer [illegible] dealing with groups of people held [illegible] but with individuals [illegible] much [illegible] no longer [illegible] individual form [illegible] women [illegible] They were [illegible] in the Native Reserves, and he deplored the excluded [illegible] ever of the possibility of Africans [illegible] purchasing [illegible] which had been alienated since the [illegible] of this century. [illegible] Kikuyu [illegible] back [illegible] of European descent.

Touching [illegible] additions of squatters [illegible] remaining [illegible] Kiganjo, [illegible] who went on tour of Kikuyu [illegible] of the Kikuyu Reserve [illegible] On that tour [illegible] with an incident which led to his death [illegible] because he was dissatisfied with the conditions in [illegible]

[illegible] Tribute to White Settlers

[illegible] he said [illegible] farmers [illegible] well [illegible] well. [illegible] system of tenant farmers [illegible] the African to the European [illegible] new he would go there as a [illegible] present circumstances [illegible] the conditions of life in townships [illegible] high minded Christian philanthropist [illegible] to the people [illegible] the Kenya Native Urban [illegible] African Bourville [illegible] its own Sally Cook [illegible] successful [illegible] Native [illegible] in a new [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] said [illegible] problem should be [illegible] and some attempt [illegible] concerted [illegible] the [illegible] conditions [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]

Canon [illegible] Retired

[illegible] Sunday [illegible] C.M.S.

[illegible] Broomfield [illegible] recently [illegible] of [illegible] of the Universities Mission [illegible] Central [illegible]

Canon Broomfield [illegible] with the Mission [illegible] in past 12 years, [illegible] to this country. In Zanzibar he made a close study [illegible] Native languages, was principal of the High School at Kiungani and examiner in Swahili for the Government. He was a member of the Zanzibar and Tanganyika Advisory Committees on Education and of the Inter-territorial Language Commission. He was made a Canon of Zanzibar Cathedral in [illegible]

Obituaries of five [illegible] missionaries have published in the [illegible] number of [illegible] Journal [illegible] Rev. L. S. P. Pearce, who was [illegible] the Masai. Mr. Robert [illegible] United [illegible] mission stations in East Africa in 1907 and had [illegible] work on this behalf in this country. Sister Edith Harper, C.S.M., and Canon [illegible], who just before his death completed his Swahili translation of the Bible [illegible]

Memorial to Dr. Irvine

A MEMORIAL [illegible] Irvine, who was unveiled in [illegible] Aberdeen, [illegible] by his daughter. The [illegible] a replica, being original on a [illegible] the Native hospital of Irvinia in the middle of the mission station of Dr. Scott. [illegible] Kanciate [illegible] newspaper [illegible] Dr. [illegible] work in the Protectorate [illegible]

[illegible] was built to [illegible] neighbours. Planning it was [illegible] manhood and womanhood of the people [illegible] industries of native life as well as [illegible] life. In the [illegible] enable the African [illegible] the impact of the civilized life of the [illegible] world.

Smoking Empire Tobacco

Mr. C. A. Barrett's Review of the Industry

Mr. C. A. BARRETT, representative of the United Kingdom of the Rhodesia Tobacco Association, addressed the British Empire League on Tuesday evening on "The Progress of Empire Tobacco." The Rt. Hon. S. H. Duncan Cochrane, High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia, presided. Mr. Barrett said, briefly, the history of tobacco smoking. Mr. Barrett said, inter alia:

[illegible] the introduction of the Imperial preference on tobacco amounting to 1s. 7d. or a duty of [illegible] the foreign tobacco gave a stimulus to the cultivation of tobacco in the Empire. Growers who had struggled for years to make them to make fortunes in a very short time, [illegible] were quickly disillusioned. Many manufacturers [illegible] U.K. found [illegible] different from American [illegible] that they were unable to [illegible] the quantity [illegible] and Empire tobacco had its first serious setback. New brands containing Empire tobacco, which sold at cheap prices that foreign tobacco [illegible] introduced, but as [illegible] raw [illegible] market was not of good [illegible] the smoking public did not accept them, and many of the brands quickly died out. In [illegible] came the slump, and within the course of a year or two many new settlers in the Empire were ruined and production declined [illegible] use Empire tobacco was [illegible] an increase in the preference to [illegible] on [illegible] tobacco, and this rate was stabilised for [illegible] this gave Empire tobacco an advantage of 2s. [illegible] lb., the effective duties being on foreign 8s. 2d. [illegible] 68. 1d. [illegible] duty of 8d. per lb. imposed on [illegible] Empire [illegible] 1d. [illegible] 2d. [illegible] preference which remained [illegible] duty of 4d. per lb. was made [illegible] now; foreign 9s. 6d. [illegible] Empire, 7s. [illegible]

Empire Smoking Has Grown Rapidly

[illegible] Empire clearances [illegible] deliveries [illegible] 500,000 lb. [illegible] additional preference [illegible] cause manufacturers to increase [illegible] of Empire [illegible] the total consumption [illegible] 20,000,000 lb. [illegible] slightly [illegible] 13 [illegible] of [illegible] consumption [illegible] Empire tobacco [illegible] treated [illegible] demand, and the percentage rose [illegible] the policies of the system there has been [illegible] decline and at present it [illegible] about 22 [illegible] production [illegible] Empire tobacco has been [illegible] on the [illegible] smoking [illegible] To-day about 50 [illegible] quantity required [illegible] purposes [illegible] produced [illegible] the Empire. The slight difference in flavour is not [illegible] reduce [illegible] pipe and chewing tobacco as in cigarette smoking. On [illegible] we say that the Empire has [illegible] the foreign [illegible] good and cheap smoke [illegible] more [illegible] satisfactory [illegible] a cheaper [illegible] the cigarette market of this country very little Empire [illegible] has been used up to now. Many brands have [illegible] that the stigma attached to [illegible] Empire [illegible] manufacturers have [illegible] manufacture [illegible] Empire [illegible] reference is made to the source [illegible] of the [illegible] the public has accepted them [illegible] to say the Empire is capable of supplying tobacco which will appeal to the most discriminating [illegible]

[illegible] tobacco [illegible] 1d. [illegible] cost of production [illegible] lb. [illegible] Empire [illegible] so [illegible] Southern [illegible] No [illegible] tobacco [illegible] this country [illegible] about [illegible] of the [illegible] Empire [illegible] cultivation [illegible] tobacco [illegible] Empire [illegible] 1d. [illegible] 1d. [illegible] 1d.

[illegible]

[illegible]

Rhodes Goes North

It is [illegible] whether absence of bias is wholly advantageous [illegible] biographer, historian [illegible] plausibly be argued that a complete lack of [illegible] is indicative of a certain lack of interest on the part of the writer, that [illegible] appears to be communicated to the [illegible].

In [illegible] of Cecil Rhodes, [illegible] dangerous prejudice [illegible] even passion [illegible] his [illegible] biographical [illegible] that are successful for fairly [illegible] [illegible] paradoxical [illegible] [illegible].

Whether Mr. J. E. [illegible] Green has gained admission [illegible] the select band [illegible] "Rhodes Goes North" [illegible] Bell, 12s. 6d.) is somewhat doubtful.

The publishers claim that the author has [illegible] complicated situation, unravelling it [illegible] each incident into the whole scene [illegible] claim suggests, aptly enough, the dangers [illegible] such an undertaking for according to the fable of the weaver, a handful of [illegible] can be whirled up into diverse patterns [illegible]. To vary the metaphor the stage is crowded with so many characters [illegible] Kruger, Lobengula, Jameson, the [illegible] Hercules Robinson, Selous and the rest [illegible] it is not easy to mark the progress of the protagonist—or, as some would say, the villain—of the piece.

It is gratifying [illegible] way, to note that Selous is given due [illegible] for his work in the conception and [illegible] of the Pioneer Column.

Lobengula is perhaps the man for whom Mr. Green displays most sympathy [illegible] that the Matabele King and Rhodes are [illegible] for both could play [illegible] diplomatic game when it suited their [illegible] purpose. Lobengula, like Rhodes, [illegible] head and shoulders above his contemporaries [illegible] the missionaries. Still, as Rhodes [illegible] as a man pursuing his [illegible] with [illegible] scruples [illegible] way [illegible].

Progress [illegible] Chartered Company

Green [illegible] not claim to be a "Life [illegible]" [illegible] a very full and detailed account [illegible] progress of the Chartered Company [illegible] to the purchase of the Lippert Concession [illegible] a period of barely three years, but [illegible] with dramatic events. The story [illegible] very interesting and is [illegible] [illegible] of Istan which in less skilful hands [illegible] mere outlines.

[illegible] which is known [illegible] Mono Tom [illegible] February 11, 1888, the missionary John Smith [illegible] Assistant Commissioner [illegible] Gubel [illegible] at the time and instructed in inducing Lobengula to sign it. The document merely stipulated that the King should refrain from ceding any [illegible] to a foreign State.

There followed the much more important "Rudd Concession" of October 30, 1888, by which mining rights were ceded to the three financiers, Rudd, Maguire and Thompson. (With it Moffat [illegible] officially had nothing to do.) Having signed this Lobengula became much disturbed, and in 1889 sent two [illegible] *indunas* to England with an exculpatory letter to the Great White Queen. On landing "they had a [illegible] time" in London, where [illegible] Swan's [illegible] [illegible] Matabeleland they never seemed to tire of telling of [illegible] things they had seen and heard [illegible] King that [illegible] Queen [illegible] was [illegible] as he [illegible] [illegible] but was a tremendous reality [illegible] and scenes, and their [illegible] had heard her voice. They [illegible] moreover, shown British troops at Kimberley [illegible] the right [illegible] deeply [illegible] But they [illegible] no reply such as he had [illegible] to their [illegible] letter. And the British South Africa Company got its Charter.

Meanwhile Lobengula [illegible] much annoyed with the [illegible] Lotje, who had [illegible] him to sign the Rudd Concession, that he had him cut to death, [illegible] his family and even his poultry. "The [illegible] were great gentlemen," writes Mr. Green, "we get another characteristic to aid us [illegible] that elusive term.

Mashonaland was occupied without [illegible] of a single shot or the loss of a single [illegible]. The raid on Mashona which followed was [illegible] and bloodless.

£100,000,000 Worth of Gold.

The heading of Chapter XI. reads [illegible] "The Bursting of the Mashona Gold Bubble." Dreams of rivalling the Rand in Mashonaland proved illusive. The best mines "were shown to be merely rich pockets which would rapidly [illegible]." What is now [illegible] that Southern Rhodesia has [illegible] gold to the value of a hundred million [illegible] and that the industry is, to-day, in a particularly [illegible] condition.

The grant of what is known as the [illegible] concession [illegible] the hands of the Chartered Company, which was the cause [illegible] land, as [illegible] the mining rights [illegible] Green [illegible] events [illegible] but he [illegible] the narrative [illegible] that [illegible] reader may reasonably hope [illegible] is contemplated.

[illegible] that a suggestion [illegible] ventured. In his preface [illegible] Green [illegible] consideration for my readers I have [illegible] purposely avoided foot-notes [illegible] to distract the reader's attention, but the [illegible] of [illegible] reference to authorities as a grave mistake [illegible] this book is to be regarded as a serious contribution to history such references are [illegible] that the reader may [illegible] the [illegible] references and [illegible] which abound are based on evidence [illegible] merely on the author's [illegible] [illegible] of a hundred words [illegible] is [illegible] [illegible] system [illegible] such as [illegible] adopted by Mr. [illegible] is [illegible] both neither to the reader nor the printer.

The book has [illegible] index, and two appendices, giving *verbatim* the [illegible] and [illegible] are very [illegible].

Whitaker's

Mail [illegible] for [illegible] is usually one of best handy reference books for everyday [illegible]. The thousands of references and cross-references in its subject index enable the reader to refer to its contents with a minimum of delay. The complete edition of the book costs 6s., while a [illegible] library edition, also containing [illegible] coloured maps, costs [illegible]. An abridged edition, [illegible] [illegible]

MINING SHARE ADVICE COUPON
No. [illegible] See Page [illegible] December [illegible]

Admiral Crampton Dead.

Decorated Hero of Zanzibar.

[illegible] of Admiral D. H. Crampton, C.B., C.M.G., M.V.O. (Retired), who had for [illegible] years lived in retirement at Cherangani, where he owned his estate. (Journey's End.)

A good deal of his service in the Navy, which he joined in 1882, was spent on the East African coast. In 1896 he took part as a [illegible] in the Hoskyn Expedition, the capture of the Sultan's palace at Zanzibar. Having specialised in navigation, he became Navigating Commander of the [illegible] Victoria and Albert, and [illegible] Bradwell, instructing [illegible] Special Service High [illegible].

During the War he commanded the [illegible] Weymouth in East African waters, and was present off the mouth of the Rufiji River when the German cruiser Königsberg moored up the river was destroyed by gunfire from British monitors. Afterwards he was in action in the Adriatic with the Austrian cruiser [illegible] and the D.S.O. was awarded for his services. He also received several [illegible] during his rank in 1922, he retired in the same year, and became Vice-Admiral in [illegible].

Colonial Secretary's Speech.

[illegible] Mr. Ormsby-Gore, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, said in one of his addresses at the annual conference of the Overseas Association to the University College, London, on Friday, [illegible] His great century address will be on the subject of the Colonies of our Imperial Empire.

Dr. Hugh Cumming.

[illegible] Dr. Hugh Cumming, who was recently appointed Assistant Bacteriologist to the Government of Kenya, has been selected for [illegible] to Mauritius, where his subject was [illegible] Dr. Cumming has been offered and accepted the post of Senior Pathologist to the Government of Mauritius [illegible]

Small Farmers.

[illegible] Mr. G. Martin, the Minister of Southern Rhodesia, said that the Government was assisting the development of small farms in the Colony by the loan of military accoutrements, the Dominions and Colonies clothing fund, [illegible] The Colonies in war time [illegible] a deal of nasty medicine, and the members of the British Empire now realised that they should have to stand together.

Flying to Africa.

[illegible] Wireless listeners will have an opportunity of hearing the chief High Commissioner and Governor of Kenya, Sir Joseph O'Grady, to broadcast in the Empire programme of the B.B.C. on Rhodesia and East Africa. The talk will be given on Sunday, [illegible] at 9.45 p.m. G.M.T. [illegible] Kenya and East Africa, and also at [illegible] transmission, which [illegible]

Teaching [illegible]

The place [illegible] European schools, the teaching of [illegible] parents [illegible] in [illegible] life, the [illegible] teaching [illegible] among the subjects discussed [illegible] of feathers and repre[illegible] Dutch and English [illegible] of Tanganyika. The [illegible] described [illegible] worthy of a greater reverence [illegible] current plantation [illegible] and the [illegible] the language introduced in European schools.

The Farmer and the Native.

Mr. [illegible] Labour Outlook.

[illegible] Point.

A DRIFT FARMER, according to Mr. Huggins, speaking at the Caledonian banquet in Salisbury, is one who is prepared to work on the land from sunrise to sunset, and who does not need Native labourers to help him. Such are the farmers Mr. Huggins wants to see pouring into Rhodesia from Europe. He painted a happy picture of settling down in communal settlements and helping one another with the heavier farming operations at busy times of the year. He stressed that the farmer would in the future have a share of the profits.

To live among hundreds of thousands of Natives and to experience a severe shortage of cheap labour will be a strange experience for the European residents of Rhodesia. A change over from the large plantation or ranch to the small holding is not remotely to the place and the future in which we are going to institute a system of farming which will be with European labour only. [illegible] will be competition.

However, it seems that the Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia does not approve of too much over-work and too little working on farms. He forecasts a social change [illegible] may be right, but it is the very stock [illegible] speaks of, the hard-working farming stock of England and Scotland, which always has been [illegible] the rural [illegible] Colonies and Dominions. In Africa [illegible] such people [illegible] adapted themselves [illegible] to do so, find them [illegible] Native [illegible] They [illegible] deprive themselves of the privileges of being masters over a gang of servants simply for the good of their souls.

The Prime Minister must have in mind that [illegible] guarantee be secure and that it may be [illegible] that the same will be backed when [illegible] might demand such high wages [illegible] it uneconomic to employ him.

[illegible] course suggests itself [illegible] not [illegible] that it will be uneconomic to [illegible] in the present extravagant way, in large [illegible] such [illegible] cannot be properly supervised. In [illegible] smaller farms of Natives the farmer carries on successfully with a [illegible] Zulus [illegible] There the European farmer may be seen [illegible] his servants and [illegible] amounts of piece work [illegible] for example, and reaping season. There is no point of competition. Usually there is one [illegible] amazingly quick Native who [illegible] at all the others, including his [illegible] and who goes on since [illegible] the amount of these farms there is [illegible] much talk of [illegible] upon the European [illegible] of contact with the lazy Native. There will be lazy ones here as [illegible] there, as among Europeans. [illegible] small farms there is keenness [illegible] the farmer and his men which is needed in Rhodesia and East Africa, I think, where [illegible] false idea that certain kinds of work [illegible] should never soil the hands [illegible]

[illegible] more on the cards that the European farmer in Rhodesia will have to learn how to work [illegible] side of new Native servants. [illegible] prevent evidence that he will be compelled to do without the labourers altogether.

Statements Worth Noting

[illegible] Thornton

[illegible] O.B.E.

[illegible] light and hatred [illegible] brother is still in darkness until now. He that [illegible] loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. 1 John ii. 9, 10.

[illegible] Nandi [illegible] Africa what the [illegible] Ness Lister is to [illegible] *East Africa.*

"There are very few [illegible] in Northern Rhodesian Legislature.

"Sir Robert Coote-Popham will [illegible] us [illegible] easily [illegible] Governor we have ever had. *East African Weekly News.*

"I do not [illegible] mind discussing anything [illegible] financial members."—*Sir Harold Kittermaster, Governor of Nyasaland, speaking in his Legislative Council.*

"[illegible] to let out of the bag. [illegible] Senior, Southern Rhodesian [illegible] the St. Andrew's Night [illegible] rule, Southern Rhodesia must have an agricultural policy."—*Mr. Howard addressing the Rhodesia Railway Workers' Union in Bulawayo.*

"Since 1910 Southern Rhodesia has built 2,300 miles of railways, 10,000 miles of road, and installed 2,000 miles of telephone."—*The Hon. M. Langan O'Keefe, High Commissioner in London, speaking [illegible]*

"[illegible] must [illegible] the time [illegible] are to [illegible] civil [illegible] *Prayer Book [illegible] St. George's [illegible]*

"District officer [illegible] experience has emphasized how deeply [illegible] the faithfulness of [illegible] wife despite [illegible] temptation."—*Mr. Cullen Young speaking in Legislative Council, Nyasaland.*

"I don't [illegible] the introduction [illegible] at this stage, it would be [illegible] costly to [illegible] and as yet [illegible] to have [illegible] offer on the [illegible] *Treasurer, Uganda, [illegible] the Protectorate.*

"No [illegible] played so large a part in the [illegible] on the issue [illegible] Wynnerton, [illegible] of the [illegible] Department in Tanganyika [illegible] *State for Colonies, in a [illegible] Wynnerton's [illegible]*

[illegible] years of [illegible] Magalhães [illegible] Beira has acquired, inter alia, [illegible] reliable aerodrome, and [illegible] as a tourist resort [illegible] great [illegible] to his vision, energy and [illegible] sister [illegible] *Nova.*

"Nationalism must be one of the [illegible] agencies [illegible] of the European [illegible] and the native mind to the [illegible] fostering better mutual understanding [illegible] comprehensive in lieu of [illegible] *Sir Hubert Stanley, Governor [illegible] Southern Rhodesia, speaking in the Native Affairs Department [illegible]*

[illegible] Colonel E. A. [illegible] Fox is [illegible] of [illegible] sessions ago, [illegible] responsibility [illegible] left in 1905 he [illegible] Volunteers [illegible] Rifles, [illegible] the School of Instruction for Military Force Officers. [illegible] established [illegible] completing [illegible] inquiry which he [illegible] completing [illegible] in England and Germany. An all-round sportsman [illegible] physique, a keen [illegible] life [illegible] and B.S.A.P. appointed him [illegible] by 1912 he had [illegible] Assistant Commissioner [illegible] the staff of the [illegible] General [illegible] Rhodesia [illegible] which [illegible] soil [illegible] After Responsible Government was granted to the Colony in that year [illegible] the [illegible] Victoria in 1932. His O.B.E. (Military) [illegible] for services in connection [illegible] Africa.

[illegible] Colonel [illegible] freely [illegible] the solution of [illegible] problems [illegible] the spiritual sphere; [illegible] along [illegible] churchman, [illegible] a worker in the British [illegible] Masonry. He is a Past Master of Lodge Rhodesia [illegible] that [illegible] and Past D.G. [illegible] Board of General Purposes of English [illegible] Rhodesia.

[illegible] AND RHODESIA

Mr. D. [illegible] Raphael [illegible] and [illegible] has left Kitale [illegible] Rhodesia.

On Mr. H. M. King's departure from Malaya on leave pending transfer to Uganda, Superintendent E. [illegible] has been appointed Deputy Commissioner of Police.

Major T. A. Dillon, who has commanded the 1st Battalion of the K.A.R. for the last three years, was probably recommended for his service on the expiration of his overseas [illegible].

Mr. J. Mollison and his co-pilot, Mr. Cunningham-Kemmer, are returning from Capetown [illegible] by ways, having cut down by nearly a [illegible] which they attempted a record flight to the Cape.

Lord Baden-Powell, the Chief Scout, who visited East Africa and the Rhodesias earlier this year, has been invested with the insignia of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour by President Lebrun.

Mr. C. A. Batrong, general manager in Rhodesia of the Imperial Tobacco Co., recently returned from his visit to the United States, and is now in London. He will probably [illegible] again for Rhodesia [illegible].

Mr. [illegible] J. Kelly-Edwards, chief [illegible] of Southern Rhodesia, recently addressed the Rhodesia Scientific Association on [illegible] in relation to climate, water, supplies, soil [illegible].

Major R. G. O'Marchoe, who has recently been stationed in Uganda, [illegible] over command of the Northern Command, King's African Rifles, Nairobi. Captain [illegible] will take over command of the 4th K.A.R. in Uganda.

Messrs. [illegible] Marshall, [illegible] Pardoe, [illegible] M. Bennett and J. Storan have been appointed to the Licensing Board under the Nyasaland Motor Traffic Ordinance, the chairman being the Assistant Commissioner of the Southern Province.

Mrs. Elspeth Huxley, biographer of the late Lord Delamere, left London by Tuesday's outward mail to spend Christmas in Kenya with her parents, Major and Mrs. Hon. Grant of Njoro. She expects to be back in England in the early spring.

Sir Benjamin [illegible], who served for many years in India, and who visited Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika some years ago on an official mission in connexion with the status of Indians in Africa, has left on a visit to India. He will return in March.

Mr. [illegible] E. S. Merrick has been elected President of the Entebbe Local and Provincial Council, Mr. J. Pothill as Vice-President. The committee is composed of Messrs. Place, Lewey, and C. Spencer, while the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer are Mr. Jones and Mr. Brimnell.

Captain [illegible] E. A. [illegible], who will be remembered by many of our readers as a former advocate in Dar-es-Salaam, and who is now living in Seaview, Isle of Wight, [illegible] unopposed [illegible] Ryde [illegible] chairman [illegible] local branch [illegible].

Following a hunting trip in Kenya, Mr. [illegible], the South African cricketer, is coaching to Rhodesia and [illegible] Sir Allan Cahn's team for an [illegible] Eastern tour.

[illegible] has been arranged between Mr. J. [illegible] Rutland, only son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hart Rutland, of Chandos Cottage, Buckingham Gate, and the Hon. Jean Milne, only daughter of Field-Marshal Lord Milne, who has interests in Kenya, and Lady Milne, of 104 Ashley Gardens, S.W.1.

Mr. J. T. G. Proughton, who has been seconded from the Kenya Administrative Service to the B.B.C. and permanently transferred to Empire News Bulletins, is coming and solely [illegible] bulletins issued in the [illegible] service and not in any way with the [illegible] News Service.

Mr. and Mrs. Malvin D. [illegible], of Nairobi, who intended to spend Christmas in England, [illegible] decided to remain in America [illegible] longer, and their son, who is reading for the Bar, has left London to spend the holiday with them in New York. They will probably arrive in Kenya early [illegible].

We [illegible] the business of J. C. Coveney and [illegible] was being carried on by [illegible] Colonel C. W. [illegible] Tucker [illegible] should have been M. [illegible] W. K. [illegible] Tucker, of South Africa, as a son of [illegible] K. Tucker, of Johannesburg, and a relation to Colonel W. K. Tucker, managing director of East African Estates [illegible].

The Bishop of Mombasa, the Rt. Rev. R. P. [illegible] has appointed the following as his commissaries: [illegible] R. S. Heywood, Lawnside, Birkenhead; [illegible] the Ven. B. N. Sharpe, Archdeacon of [illegible], Queen Court, E.C.4; the Rev. [illegible], Vicar, Temple Balsall, near Birmingham; the Rev. [illegible], Rectory House, Knowle, Birmingham; the Rev. [illegible], Vicarage, Exmouth; and the Rev. [illegible], St. Catherine's [illegible].

Mr. Arthur P. Coote, who served for several years in the Sudan Political Service, and who retired in 1922, has been appointed Assistant Headquarters Commissioner of the Rover Scouts movement. While on leave in this country during the War he was [illegible] an important message to an [illegible] Commander-in-chief. The message could [illegible] committed to writing, and although it contained many figures, [illegible] to memorise it throughout the journey and deliver it safely.

Captain S. E. Stuart, commodore of the Union-Castle fleet and commander of the "Stirling Castle," retired on Friday last after forty years in the service of the Line. He served with the Navy during the War, joined the Union-Castle Company in 1919, and has since commanded different vessels on the African service. When [illegible] Duke of Kent, [illegible] George [illegible] Uganda and the Rhodesias in [illegible], Captain Stuart was in command of the "Carnarvon Castle," which carried the Royal party as far as Durban. He succeeded as commodore by Captain A. Bartlett, who commanded the "Athlone Castle" [illegible] was [illegible] in command of the "Windsor Castle" when she made [illegible] imperial call at Mombasa [illegible] Prince George and his suite [illegible].

Sir Abe Bailey's Quips

Sir Abe Bailey was in reminiscent and humorous mood last week at a dinner at which a presentation of a volume [illegible] was made to him by the Marquess of [illegible] who paid tribute to Sir Abe for his invaluable assistance from the inception of the scheme to the present time.

"If you call gamble a penny bank in the East End on Wednesdays, attending night school on Thursdays, and Sunday class on Sundays, then I began public life at the age of 15," said Sir Abe.

"I have gone through life fighting every inch of the way, my strongest enemy being often myself. Now, I am a capitalist, having made my money by the sweat of somebodie else's brow. Now they don't forget the pence when they speak of my personality. (Laughter.)

"In the share world attention must be paid to other's [illegible] the tactics [illegible] the crew of the deep."

Of his "friend and master," Lionel Curtis, he said: He does not bother about the public on the beach; he sees the great man of every [illegible]

Public Works by Contract.

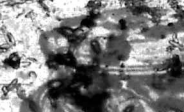
After a conference between Nyasaland contractors and the Director of Public Works, the former decided to approach Government to undertake all new building construction work. No saving of public money was probable by putting maintenance work out to contract, and local contractors could not undertake road maintenance at a cheaper rate than the P.W.D., but the construction of new roads might be put out to tender. The Zomba electricity undertaking could be performed by contract, but not as economically as under the existing arrangement.

Christmas Rates Due to Arrive.

Charges for telephone calls from England to Kenya between December 23 and January 4, but excluding Christmas Day, are to be reduced to the rates for telephone calls on Saturdays.

Sir Hubert Stanley's Sons.

[illegible] Sons [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Sweden, Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible]



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"The Downs Preservation Society [illegible] in recording the development of [illegible] Downland site on sight [illegible]

"The Society [illegible] itself fortunate in [illegible] with the owner of an estate who is so [illegible] with the Sussex Downs that he is anxious to consult its wishes in all matters affecting the preservation of one of the most characteristic of Sussex Downland villages."

[illegible] described in detail certain improvements being carried out by the Commissioners [illegible] improvements [illegible] as evidence of greater things to come.

[illegible] years [illegible] The achievements [illegible] make these [illegible] humble beginnings. To-day, this lovely estate, situated amidst its square miles [illegible] whole [illegible] the [illegible] harmony with the country [illegible] suggested to leave [illegible] the panorama of which they are now part. Indiscretions of indifferent [illegible] have been forbidden [illegible] on [illegible] Downlands one is impressed [illegible] not to be confused with [illegible]

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Amani's Work in 193[illegible]

Broader Basis of Sisal Resea[illegible]

IN what is his last annual report as Director [illegible] East African Agricultural Research Station, Amani, Mr. [illegible] Nowell is able to record that [illegible] greater detail concerning studies which have reached the stage of publication, becoming available at a rapidly increasing rate, and that the best evidence of the interest and usefulness of the lines of work pursued is the fact that in every section there is felt an urgent need for [illegible]

Reviewing the Agricultural Conference at Amani did not consider suggestions for the centralisation of agricultural research in East Africa, combining departmental and institutional activities and expenditure, to be practicable, at any rate, to the extent to which the soundness of the principle might be conceded, until a nexus exists between the Dependencies concerned. Mr. Nowell says there exists, however, some dispersion of effort which could with advantage be avoided, though not necessarily without injury to local feelings.

When the Amani project was first discussed, frequent reference was made to the absence, practically complete, of any recorded body of scientific information, from East Africa or elsewhere, concerning the production and qualities of sisal fibre, but Mr. Nowell reports that provision to meet this situation is well advanced. The plant breeding work, and the study of the structure of leaf and fibre [illegible] Amani [illegible] supplemented by agronomic [illegible] at the experiment station near Tanga, where [illegible] has been [illegible] in the design and [illegible] comprehensive series of comparative and [illegible] station trials, while arrangements for research bearing on the utilisation of the fibre have been made with the Linen Industry Research Station at Lambeg, in Northern Ireland.

These movements, in which the Sisal Growers' Associations, the Department of Agriculture and the two research stations are all associated, call for careful co-ordination, he continues, and it seems desirable that this should be extended to the [illegible] experiments receiving support from the Colonial Development Fund. There is no [illegible] for the [illegible] of [illegible] or of [illegible] waste products [illegible] which might profitably be pursued.

The first results to be expected from the new experimental station will be [illegible] production on a scale adequate for agricultural and commercial appreciation, of the blue sisal, *Agave amaniensis*, [illegible] Area [illegible] in 1935 with [illegible] from Amani, [illegible] made [illegible] progress. The favourable opinion of plantators [illegible] the results of earlier and smaller trials is shown by demands for [illegible] greater quantity than can yet be supplied.

[illegible] seedlings of *Agave sisalana* [illegible] have reached maturity [illegible] an encouraging [illegible] their general [illegible] where [illegible] possessed of [illegible] matrices sufficient [illegible] high [illegible] advantage of [illegible] margin [illegible] developed. Young seedlings of hybrid sisal, which are [illegible] in quantity, are [illegible] free from this objectionable feature. The development [illegible] hybrids, now [illegible] their early [illegible]

[illegible] Entomologist, resided at Lamungia [illegible] some time early in [illegible] with the object of comparing ecoclimatic conditions and their relation to insect pests with those studied in [illegible] The discovery of a [illegible] parasite of *Antestiopsis*, one of the insects most concerned, and the life-history of this parasite in relation to the economics of its host, has since occupied his full attention. This is admittedly a branch from the original line of investigation, but it is considered to be justified by its intrinsic scientific interest, as well as the possibility of its bearing on the biological control of antestia in other areas from which the parasite is absent.

The outstanding problem in coffee research is the [illegible] of liquoring quality. "So long as so considerable [illegible] of the consumer exists, research is helpless, [illegible] differences of value recognised on the market, [illegible] may affect the growers' returns [illegible] more, company or the factors under his control. There is a tendency to [illegible] that good husbandry, in the accepted sense of the term, must improve quality, but [illegible] can be cited which in some respects directly [illegible] conclusion."

[illegible] attention fully on the development of [illegible] with [illegible] bark, derris root, and [illegible] oil, [illegible] Amani has been concerned for many [illegible]

[illegible] Andrews, [illegible] Entomologist of the Agricultural Research Service in the Sudan, contributes a [illegible] investigation of the black-arm disease [illegible] cotton, [illegible] the cotton issue [illegible] *Agriculture*. Other articles of interest to East Africa include one on "Tillage" by R. Coulter Wood; "The Root System of the [illegible]" by M. H. Evans, of Mauritius, and "Recent Experiments on Manuring Tea and their Bearing on Estate Practice," by Messrs. W. B. Haines and Evan Guest.

Mealy Bug Parasites.

A consignment of parasites of the mealy bug (*Dactylopius Placinus*) has arrived in Kenya from the Philippines, where they were collected by Dr. le Pelley. The parasite, it is not specifically identified, with the common coffee mealy bug of Kenya, is more closely related to it than any other known mealy bug, and there is much more hope of parasites of this bug attacking it in Kenya than has been the case with previous consignments. More than 100 parasites have emerged from these [illegible] in the Scott Agricultural Laboratories, Nairobi, [illegible] to have taken kindly to the artificial [illegible] feed. According to Mr. Wilkinson, the Kenya [illegible] it cannot be overemphasised that parasites of mealy bugs are most specific in their requirements, and planters are reminded [illegible] too optimistic [illegible] the possible successful results to be obtained from such an important consignment as the present one.

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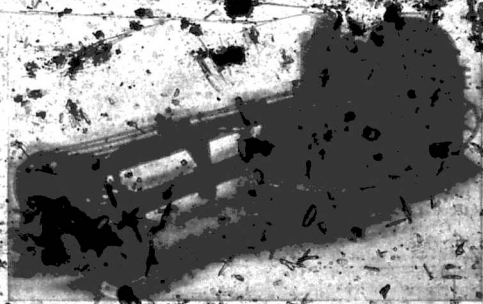

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LATEST MINING NEWS.

Kenton Gold Areas

Details of the Company's Interests.

The balance sheet of Kenton Gold Areas Ltd., for the year ended September 30 shows the authorised share capital as £1,000,000 of which £1,[illegible] has been issued. The amount standing to purchase of properties has been reduced by £[illegible] being the amount allocated as cost of certain properties. [illegible] sold to Geita Gold Mining Co., Ltd., the Sarangani Development Co., Ltd., and to East African Concessions, Ltd. Properties now stand at £[illegible], represented by a [illegible] concession. Expenditure on the properties amounted to £107,5[illegible] and that sum was recovered on the sale of the [illegible] and applied to the purchase of shares in Sarangani and [illegible] Co.

Creditors and payments in advance at £[illegible] includes £[illegible] due by the Kilimani Gold Mining Co., while amounts [illegible] East African Concessions, Ltd., £[illegible], East African Concessions, Ltd., £[illegible] and the Sarangani [illegible] £[illegible] and other companies include 3[illegible] shares of [illegible] with in Kilimani Gold Mining Co. and 3,000 shares of [illegible] in Eldoret [illegible] syndicate, the book value being stated to have exceeded quoted market values on [illegible] by £[illegible] since then they have been further sold. The [illegible] account shows a [illegible] of £2,[illegible], the total debit balance forward being £[illegible]. Particulars of the companies are [illegible] follows:—

Geita Gold Mining Co.—Of the 1,000,000 shares issued, Kenton holds the majority, and the Sarangani Company each hold 200,000 shares. The authorised capital is £700,000. The company is [illegible] 40 sq. miles in the Sarangani area, Kenton to provide all the working capital required, and Sarangani eventually hold 300,000 out of the authorised capital of £1,000,000 shares.

Sarangani Development Company, Ltd.—Has an authorised and issued capital of £[illegible] shares of £[illegible] each, of which Kenton holds [illegible] shares. The company owns [illegible] to the Sarangani concession covering [illegible] Kenton [illegible] one-half [illegible] Mining Co. [illegible] £100,000 [illegible] cycle [illegible] and shares in that company.

East African Concessions, Ltd.—Has an authorised capital of £60,000 [illegible] shares, of which Kenton holds [illegible] of the issued shares issued. The company holds 204,000 Kilimani shares and [illegible] to purchase [illegible] interest in the Morgan properties in Tanganyika (Ridge 8 [illegible] and Mawe Meru).

Kilimani Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—Of the authorised and issued capital of £600,000 [illegible] shares Kenton holds [illegible],736 shares.

Sir Robert Williams & Company's unaudited report on operations during the year gives the following particulars:—

Geita Gold Mining Company.—Work was concentrated on this mine, as it is intended that it should be the first property to come into production. Underground work amounted to 9,[illegible] feet, the [illegible] being made at an average vertical depth of 100 ft. below the outcrop. The drive was completed for about 1,600 ft. along the strike, mainly on the footwall, to form a haulage [illegible] and winding and raising to connect to No. 2 level [illegible] in progress. No. 3 level, 40 ft. vertically below, No. 4 level is being developed in primary ore [illegible] on the No. 3 level, 100 ft. vertically below No. 2 level, concreting of the [illegible] has been completed. Diamond drilling, amounting to 2,380 ft. of drilling, has shown encouraging results. On the Geita No. 2 Extension, reaching on the extension outcrop, has exposed a length of 1[illegible] ft. giving an average value of [illegible] over 185 in. width.

East African Concessions.—[illegible] shows that the values are mainly concentrated on the footwall, although in places [illegible] across the entire width. [illegible] Geita zone [illegible] have been obtained [illegible] points for 1,300 ft. along the strike. Diamond [illegible] is in progress on a drillhole discharging [illegible] in true width, 1,300 ft. in length, no sample from shaft [illegible] 1,[illegible] ft. from [illegible] to 237 ft. [illegible] samples were received [illegible] this shows an average value of 8.[illegible] over 150 in. true width. Core recoveries were poor, and the above results can only be [illegible] indicative. On the Mawe Meru section, surface trenching [illegible] main lenses of quartz for a length [illegible] ft. and one [illegible]

[illegible] gold value [illegible] [illegible] Kilimani [illegible] [illegible] Geita [illegible] [illegible] Sarangani

[illegible] and [illegible]

TANGANYIKA [illegible] Gold Dredging Company, Ltd. (in liquidation). The chairman's report to the annual report to July 31, 1947, shows a loss of £28,[illegible] resulting from expenditure on abandoned machinery. The [illegible] carried to the balance sheet [illegible] reduced in the balance sheet [illegible] to £[illegible]. The properties [illegible] development [illegible] information by [illegible] and [illegible] prospected in [illegible] the results in these areas proved disappointing, and the dredges have been suspended.

Mara.—Satisfactory development is proceeding on Mara No. 1 and Golden Glory reefs. Good values are being maintained and development continues. On the Mara reef the average value of 228 dwt. recovered is 12·3 dwt. over 2·5 in. as compared with 12·2 dwt. over 25 in. for 22 ft. exposed on the 11 level. On the Golden Glory reef, on 11 level, about 1[illegible] dwt. over 30·30 in. The board considers it of paramount importance to attack depth on these occurrences, and operations have been intensified.

The Mara mill has been increased during the year by two Californian stamps, and during the progress of development programme the mill is to be kept running on development rock. A plant capable of treating the accumulated slimes is expected to be in commission early in 1949. An E.P.L. of about 8 sq. miles adjacent to these holdings has been acquired. The extension of the Mara reef underlies the property, and it is proposed to sink on to the reef.

Lupa.—Further E.P.L.'s over 10 sq. miles have been granted. An occurrence has been estimated has a width of 500 ft. strike, with a possibility of proving an average of 6 dwt. over 50 in.

Kimberley (Rhodesia).—Systematic testing of the various properties has been done, but the work is still in the exploratory stage, and the extent of workable ground has yet to be determined. Test washing of selected stones of exceptional quality. The concession of [illegible] sq. miles has been thoroughly explored, but [illegible] promise has resulted it will probably be abandoned. [illegible] great future. Systematic prospecting in [illegible] 1,000 sq. miles in Nzega has failed to [illegible] of value.

Kisumu, Shinyanga.—The option on Bo[illegible]

[illegible] Diamond [illegible] Company, Ltd. Much work remains to be done [illegible] of payable [illegible] stone from [illegible] are being recovered from [illegible] work is proceeding with disappointing [illegible] results, so the claim holding has been [illegible] where operations on the remaining claim have been temporarily suspended. The property is held by Tanganyika Mines, Ltd., in which Tanganyika Diamonds [illegible] interest.

Lupa Gold Areas.

Lupa Gold Areas state in their annual report for the year ended June 30 that although a considerable amount of additional prospecting work has been carried out, no discoveries of importance have been made. The accounts show a net loss of £[illegible] for the year ended June 30, 1948. The general manager reports that to the end of November [illegible] that operations at Matala were discontinued, and the plant [illegible] erected between the Dumbrobin and Chaddock workings.

At Dumrobin underground work was confined chiefly to re-claiming pillars of ore left above the first level and developing the new orebody between the first and third levels. Stoping operations have yielded a small tonnage of good grade ore, and development has proved some further ore reserves above water level. It is estimated that 8,000 tons of ore are still available, which tonnage might be increased by further developments.

Regarding development on the south reef of the Sheldrick property [illegible] satisfactory. On the north reef shoot of payable ore 50 ft. long was proved on the 50 ft. and [illegible] level, and to date 60 ft. of ore has been opened on the [illegible] level. It is expected that at this level the strike length of payable ore will be about 180 ft. It is estimated that approximately [illegible] tons of ore reserves are now available from this shoot, and further development work of depth may increase these.

Into the ends of November 1948, 22 tons of ore were treated in the re-erected mill at Dumrobin for a recovery by amalgamation of 880 oz. of fine gold, and 1050 tons were evaporated for 700 oz. fine gold. It is estimated that 7,600 tons of accumulated sands and slime contain [illegible] oz. gold have still to be treated in the evaporators. With the exception of September and November, expenditure has exceeded revenue, but now that the plant is responding more closely to anticipations there are prospects of operating at a small working profit for some time.

Watende.

Watende, Ltd., announce in their annual report for the year ended September 30 that gold production amounted to £11,674. After charging direct cost of mining and other expenses, and writing off the Luna prospecting expenses, £1,948, there was a loss of £[illegible]. The board considers that the costs of mining claims and [illegible] £[illegible]055, and development expenditure in Kenya £[illegible]874, will be required to be written down at some future [illegible] so far as they relate to the Watende property [illegible] capitalised on development [illegible] has been written off preliminary expenses.

Mr. Lathbury, reporting on the Kenya property, states [illegible] the opinion that the deposit is of a nature to [illegible] of extensive operations, but considers the proposition [illegible] an attractive one as a small project, and that the [illegible] sufficient inducement to continue operations on a smaller scale. The recommendations [illegible] carried out [illegible] Lathbury's opinion is summarised in the following [illegible] from his report: "[illegible] of opinion that there is sufficient inducement to continue [illegible] operations with due caution, carrying on development, production, prospecting, and trial [illegible] milling the existing plant [illegible] slimes and concentrates [illegible] then profitably treated."

The company's E.P.L. area in Tanganyika has been added to, the property being too far from Watende [illegible] a certain amount of delay has been encountered in [illegible] Pare mine in North [illegible] owing to the old machinery. The defective units have been replaced, and everything is now working satisfactorily.

Winchester Consolidated.

Resolutions approving a cash return to shareholders of 2s. per share were approved at a meeting of the company held in London last week. The chairman, Colonel H. T. Fenwick, said that the [illegible] the effect of reducing the issued capital of the company [illegible] and [illegible] Another resolution approved the subdivision and cancellation of the [illegible] capital into [illegible] shares and [illegible] the reduction of capital [illegible] of [illegible]

Company Progress Reports.

Massala (Sudan) Gold.—During November [illegible] were crushed, yielding 114 oz. [illegible] Tailings were cyanided, and yielded [illegible] gold.

Tanganyika Central Gold.—During November 3,323 tons were milled, yielding 283 oz. of gold, value [illegible]. The [illegible] being still out of commission.

Tati Goldfields.—The November report states that [illegible] tons were milled, estimated [illegible] being [illegible] No. 1 level winze from Monarch section, intersected highly payable values.

Mashonaland Bushtick.—During November 21,300 tons of ore were milled, yielding 1,460 fine oz. gold, estimated working revenue [illegible] 22,[illegible] working [illegible] Government royalty [illegible] net profit [illegible] 2,683.

Rhodesia Reformer.—The November progress report states:—Mill.—Crushed, from Horst, [illegible] development, 75 tons; from dumps and [illegible] total, 2,[illegible] tons. Gold produced, 1,[illegible] fine oz. Development.—No. [illegible] shaft sunk 73 [illegible] shaft 1,[illegible] reef, driving Horst reef, [illegible] Ross reef [illegible] No. [illegible] level winze [illegible] reef remains strong, from 7 ft. to 130 ft. values average 27 [illegible] over 6 ft., making total average so far from 6 to 130 ft. of 26 dwt. over 45 inches.

Rhodesia Consolidated Goldfields.—The consulting engineers have the following details of progress to October 30:—

"Since completion of capital reorganisation the plant has been in course of erection, and the development policy will be proceeded with early next year.

"On the Blue Ray property at Lolgorien, the shaft has been sunk to 274 ft., and will be sunk further 16 ft. to 290 ft., when the third level will be established. The second level advanced 265 ft. [illegible] payable ore with an average of 4.7 dwt. over [illegible] development plant is expected to be delivered and in operation by the end of January, when work will be resumed on Owego, Lloyd and school sections. At Owuor Hill surface stripping of the [illegible] reef has been [illegible] shows all the [illegible] veins, [illegible] 50 ft. [illegible] over [illegible] 2.5 dwt. over [illegible] 23 in. [illegible] length [illegible] 18 ft. [illegible] 4.8 dwt. over [illegible] 23 in. [illegible] 140 [illegible] These [illegible] are encouraging, and justify further extraction. [illegible] 6 winzes from the surface will be sunk, and [illegible] now in progress.

Victoria Falls and Power Company.

Victoria Falls and Transvaal [illegible] have declared the following dividends [illegible] shares, [illegible] and a further dividend of [illegible] participating rights for the year ending December [illegible] on the Ordinary shares, an interim dividend [illegible] the year 1909.

Share Prices.

Latest share prices appear on page [illegible]

Company Progress Reports.—Tanganyika Minerals, Ltd.

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] of Tanganyika Minerals, Ltd., [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Mr.

Mining Personalia.

Major [illegible] H. Bagbury, M.C., M.M., is shortly [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] has applied [illegible] Institution of Mining and Metallurgy [illegible]

Mr. H. [illegible] Kaffir Consolidated Mining Interests [illegible] Rhodesia, will sail [illegible] January [illegible] for South [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] Pitchford, [illegible] manager of the [illegible] has arrived home from Northern Rhodesia, [illegible] her daughter.

Mr. A. W. [illegible] Assoc.Inst.M.M., is returning [illegible] England from Tanganyika, for which territory Mr. [illegible] Assoc.Inst.M.M., is outward-bound.

Mr. Dyke Pointer, who was formerly with the [illegible] Mines Department, has been engaged to assist [illegible] the Kenya Pavilion in Johannesburg [illegible]

Mr. H. B. Maule, [illegible] of the Bechuanaland Gold Mining Company, [illegible] near Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, has passed on the Dunnottar Castle from Madeira to Capetown.

Territorial Outputs.

Mineral exports from Uganda during October were as follows: Tin ore, [illegible] long tons; gold, [illegible] oz. Mineral exports from Tanganyika during October were as follows: Gold, 5,030 oz.; diamonds, 24,[illegible] carats; mica, 2,503 lb.; tin ore, [illegible] long tons; and salt, [illegible] long tons. Gold exports from individual districts were as follows: Tabora (alluvial), 2,288 oz.; Geita (reef), 1,020 oz.; Singida, 78[illegible] oz.; Singida (alluvial), [illegible] oz.; Morogoro, 12[illegible]

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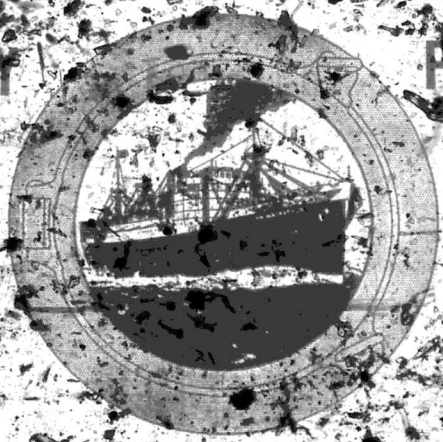

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F. R. R. C. GLASGOW.—See report in corr. [illegible] of December 5.

B. T. O. SWANSEA.—See the extracts elsewhere in this issue from the market sheet which has been circulated.

R. A. P. BIRMINGHAM.—Not an East African share and therefore not one on which advice can be given in this column.

Y. W. M. LONDON, S.E.5.—At the present price Governman shares seem well worth [illegible] capital appreciation.

R. T. CHELTENHAM.—Do not advise purchase. Even if the story [illegible] fail in the shares still [illegible] them much overvalued.

[illegible] FAIRBOURNE.—[illegible] the rumours [illegible] speculative look [illegible]

T. T. T. THAMES STREET.—[illegible] after [illegible] been completely dead for months and [illegible] few weeks, and the shares are [illegible] advances [illegible] the [illegible] you mention [illegible] which were [illegible] group to [illegible] a couple of months ago, are [illegible] as [illegible] now on hopes of the Tanganyika [illegible] the company being now [illegible] interested in Southern Rhodesia and West Africa.

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COMPANY MEETING

N. Charterland Exploration.

Formation of New Company Approved.

[illegible] the annual general meeting of the North Charterland Exploration Company, Limited, held on Monday in London, an extraordinary general meeting was held to consider a resolution approving a scheme of reconstruction involving the liquidation of the company and the formation of a new company in Rhodesia in terms of an agreement with the Union and Rhodesia Mining and Finance Company, Ltd.

Mr. Harvey B. Spiller, Chairman of the Company, said that the company's affairs were now in [illegible] and they had been advised by an eminent engineer to develop the share mine. It was obvious that considerable working capital was necessary and that the [illegible] thing was to reconstruct the company. They had therefore entered into a provisional agreement with the Union and Rhodesia Mining and Finance Company, [illegible] under which the capital of a new company [illegible] proposed to form [illegible] the assets and liabilities of the present company, the company possessing [illegible] and fertile [illegible] which [illegible] hundreds of thousands [illegible] and the mine [illegible] over 6,000,000 tons which [illegible] achieved [illegible] value [illegible]

[illegible] adopted, it would be the last meeting at which he would preside, and he therefore referred to the long standing dispute with the [illegible] over the advantageous agreement which the Colonial [illegible] had endeavoured to negotiate with the British South [illegible] concerning the rights of their company. [illegible] had claimed that the company had helped out the Colonial Secretary [illegible] the British South Africa Company [illegible] as authorised agent, but the company did not [illegible] said title to the property, and that the Crown [illegible] the company's property in [illegible] payment of compensation [illegible] inquiry. Lord Maugham submitted [illegible] the company should hold out to the Colonial Secretary [illegible] the British South Africa Company as its agent, that the company did possess a valid title to its property, and that the Crown could not expropriate any of the company's property [illegible] Government compensation.

[illegible] Chairman having [illegible] correspondence with Lord Maugham, said [illegible] of members of the Government, all supporters [illegible] National Government, had signed a [illegible] strenuously upholding the company's claim. The Chairman expressed the hope that the Government would meet the directors of the new company in a spirit of good will and [illegible] the injury the company had suffered. He [illegible] resolution.

Tribute to the [illegible]

Mr. Allison Davies, seconding, said he had received a letter from Mr. Thomas Garrett, the company's solicitor, expressing regret that he was unable to be present. Mr. Garrett had been [illegible] company through its long dispute with the [illegible] and wished to pay tribute to Mr. Spiller's tenacity, love of justice and complete integrity. He had never known Mr. Spiller to contemplate or suggest any course of action which was not [illegible] and above board. (Applause.)

Mr. [illegible] further stated that Mr. Spiller had [illegible] his job to [illegible] and that no one could have shown a higher sense of duty to those he served for he spared neither time nor money in his fight for the shareholders. (Applause.)

Mr. Brightwell [illegible] was one of the members of the Government who signed the [illegible] which the Chairman alluded. He was [illegible] to instructed by solicitor to make a searching investigation into the company's claim in the light of Lord Maugham's [illegible] and the [illegible] was satisfied [illegible] I think the Government will [illegible] proceedings [illegible] the expropriation [illegible] he had signed the [illegible] Goodhart [illegible] Thomson said she [illegible] before [illegible] could have [illegible] company [illegible] and the [illegible] Mr. [illegible] with [illegible] remarks.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

Company Meetings

London and Rhodesian Mining and Land

Lord Lurgan's Address to Shareholders

THE ordinary general meeting of the London and Rhodesian Mining and Land Company, Limited, was held on Monday, in the absence of Sir [illegible] Bart., K.C.M.G., Deputy-Chairman of the Company, presided, in the absence of Sir [illegible] Bart., Governor for South Africa. On behalf of the secretaries of the African [illegible] Mr. R. [illegible] Lurgan read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors.

In the course of his speech Lord Lurgan said:—

Our interest and dividend revenue [illegible] very favourable with the figure in previous years. Last year this figure was £[illegible], and in the previous year £44,[illegible]83. Of this £65,410, £62,934 comes from dividends, and represents a return of nearly [illegible] on our total investment. The proceeds from realisation of investments, at £32,151, compares with £48,685 last year.

Rents, etc., at £[illegible] are [illegible] favourable [illegible] previous year, when the revenue under [illegible] £12,[illegible] the sum [illegible] comes from the rents received from [illegible] owned by the company [illegible] and Buluwayo. The continued [illegible] Rhodesia, particularly in Gwanda, should have no difficulty in keeping [illegible] full [illegible] to keep the buildings [illegible] in every way, thus maintaining [illegible]

[illegible] at £[illegible]25, shows a falling [illegible] the [illegible] we give [illegible] apart from our share in the [illegible] reason for the difference is that [illegible] received were [illegible] estimate 25% [illegible] only taking 75% of the gross revenue.

The Company's Strong Position

[illegible] administration expenses in London and [illegible] at £13,68[illegible], compared with £[illegible] year. This is considerable reduction [illegible] owing to the arrangements we reported last [illegible] into with the [illegible] Investment [illegible] London, our [illegible] in South [illegible] 1935. As the [illegible] of breaking [illegible] accomplished [illegible] we really have a [illegible] about [illegible] other words [illegible] shareholders [illegible] £[illegible]6,128 [illegible] available [illegible] £[illegible] distributed [illegible] shareholders [illegible] £[illegible] of this [illegible] £[illegible] spent [illegible] £[illegible] [illegible] £[illegible] [illegible] £[illegible]

Rhodesian Anglo-American

Extraordinary Progress of the Company

HIS [illegible] ordinary general meeting of the Anglo-American, Ltd., was held at [illegible] London, on [illegible]

Sir Edmund Davis, [illegible] the chairman of the company, said in, the [illegible]

For the year ended [illegible] and issued capital [illegible] standing on 1,609,686 shares at 20s. per share, [illegible] up to July 1, 1936, 700,000 were in the English and [illegible] in the American form. Arrangements have been made whereby holders of the American option may exchange their shares in London [illegible] their American options for options in the English form. The directors decided to take this course in the belief that the facilities would help to broaden the market for the company's options and shares, and would therefore contribute to the benefit of the company as a [illegible]

The item, general [illegible] account, £[illegible] appears in the balance sheet for the first time and results from the realisation of the reserve for depreciation of investments. The balance on profit and loss appropriation account, £296,064, is the sum which will remain to be carried forward to the new financial year after payment of the dividend which will absorb £176,540 as the net sum payable to members after deduction of income tax.

Investments £8,528,000 under Market Value.

Our investments stand at £6,801,[illegible] the large increase being due to the fact that [illegible] depreciation [illegible] has been allocated [illegible] directors [illegible] a very large reserve [illegible] Company's investments to [illegible] tive figures, [illegible] authorise the transfer of £200,000 to a general reserve account. You will see that the figure to which we have written the investments down are [illegible] the market value of our holdings in Rhokana Corporation [illegible] stood [illegible] and that all of our holdings in other investments were written down to a nominal figure. You will have seen from the note appearing on the balance sheet that the [illegible] the market value of the investments [illegible] represent a surplus over book values of £1,126,7[illegible] [illegible] present investments, including our additional holdings in Rhokana Corporation [illegible] subscribed at [illegible] shares in Rhokana Corporation [illegible] per share, giving a market price of £15,688,586, [illegible] ing a surplus over the book value of £8,528,176.

Apart from our very large interest in Rhokana Corporation, our other investments are principally in the Broken Hill Development Company, Rhodesia Broken Hill Development Company, and [illegible] Concessions. [illegible] Company has [illegible] prosperity in the [illegible] Rhodesia [illegible] from [illegible] original [illegible] through its mining royalties and [illegible] course of time to [illegible] expect an increase in the revenue income we derive from this holding.

Rhodesia Broken Hill Company.

As regards the Rhodesia Broken Hill Development Company, Limited, many of you will be aware of the scheme of capital reorganisation now being carried out. This is sponsored by the Anglo-American Corporation [illegible] the Rhodesia Broken Hill Company [illegible] that the [illegible] development of the Rhodesia Broken Hill property, which is to be [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] Southern Rhodesia [illegible] have taken [illegible] under the Anglo-American Corporation of South Africa and the British South Africa Company in the capital reorganisation [illegible] which should prove a [illegible] there.

There have been no outstanding developments in the properties of Loanguna Concessions (Northern Rhodesia), Limited, during the year.

Profits and Dividends.

The profit and loss account shows net [illegible] dividends, interest, share [illegible] £185,222 [illegible] the year [illegible] No. 1936 [illegible] 15 months. The revenue [illegible] mentioned in [illegible] each case the year's income [illegible] Rhokana Corporation, [illegible] revenue are [illegible] months [illegible] last time [illegible] parted with 15 months.

The debit of £[illegible] general expenses in London and Johannesburg, including the remuneration of the directors, [illegible] little change. Debenture interest at £37,500 represents one [illegible] interest on our £750,000 5% Debentures. The net profit, subject to income tax, comes out at £200,674, which compares, with £[illegible] for the preceding 15 months. The balance brought in from the last account was £291,[illegible] deducting income tax £12,275 and the proposed dividend of 6d. per share [illegible] income tax, and the directors' additional remuneration [illegible] there is left the sum of £296,064 to carry forward to the next financial [illegible]

[illegible] shareholders of Rhokana Corporation [illegible] Auckland Geddes stated that [illegible] average cash price of standard copper on the London Metal Exchange was £[illegible] per ton in the month of September, and £[illegible] 14s. 3d. for the month of October. I may add that the figure for [illegible] October was £[illegible] and for November £[illegible] [illegible] Corporation, Ltd., profits [illegible] upon the higher prices of copper which [illegible] production and consumption.

[illegible] Copper Output.

[illegible] Auckland Geddes [illegible] copper output [illegible] 200,000 short tons [illegible] 84,[illegible] short tons [illegible] 032 to 37[illegible] There has since been a [illegible] the end of October. [illegible] which [illegible] short tons [illegible] 18 [illegible] about [illegible] 000 short [illegible] based on world con- [illegible] which [illegible] months of 1936 was little [illegible] tons. On the basis consumption for [illegible] of 1936 should be about the figure I have mentioned. The gradual reduction of stocks and rise in the market price has, of course, been followed by a gradual increase in production by the Northern Rhodesia copper companies. Rhokana Corporation [illegible] that the total copper [illegible] the estimated total copper [illegible] by the three mines [illegible] producing in Northern Rhodesia [illegible] based on the existing [illegible] production should be over 200,000 short tons per annum.

I would also draw your attention to the formation of a new company to take over Rhokana Corporation's Chingola [illegible] with a capital of £3,000,000 in 1[illegible] shares, [illegible] 300,000 shares are to be issued to Rhokana Corporation as [illegible] consideration for the properties transferred and [illegible] to be subscribed by the [illegible] constitute the [illegible] from [illegible] in this connection, you will have gathered [illegible] have been made on the subject [illegible] 300,000 shares of the new [illegible] company will be offered for subscription to the Ordinary shareholders of Rhokana Corporation. Our net [illegible] shares when issued will be [illegible] which should in some [illegible] investment.

The [illegible] adopting the report [illegible] Sir Edmund Davis and seconded [illegible] J. Joel, K.B.E., was carried unanimously. It was a motion approving the payment of a dividend of 5[illegible]

The retiring directors, Sir Robert Birchenough, C.M.G., Mr. [illegible] Davis, Mr. J. B. Joel, J.P. and Mr. J. G. Lawrence, C.B.E., were re-elected.

Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.)

Mr. H. M. Tritton's Address.

ADDRESSING the eleventh ordinary general meeting of shareholders of Barclays Bank (Domestic and Colonial and Overseas) in London last week, Mr. H. L. M. Tritton, the Chairman of the Bank, said, inter alia :—

"The development of the gold mining industry in Africa played and will continue to play a most important part in the history of South Africa. The rise in the price of the metal in many countries, following the depreciation of their currencies and the departure of the Union of South Africa from the gold standard in December, 1932, affected a great stimulus to gold mining. It has been submitted that since 1920 the annual quantity of gold produced in the world has increased by 50% while, according to the calculations of the Bank for International Settlements, the value measured in dollars or sterling has risen by 300%. In South Africa, the leading gold producing country in the world, the rise in the price of the metal has made possible the exploitation of resources previously regarded as unprofitable. The policy of treating ore of a lower average grade has been responsible for the decline in the volume of output from the Transvaal, for the recent years, during the past year the output was increased by 1934, and in recent years production has again [illegible] higher grades.

"Gold bullion [illegible] for 71% of the [illegible] exports of South Africa in 1935, and the prosperity of the industry is of the first vital concern to the Union. Its future largely depends on the demand for this metal as a basis for currency and, in particular, as a medium for the adjustment of short-term fluctuations in the balances of payments between nations. The break up of the Continental gold *bloc* this year was accompanied by the definite fixing of upper and lower limits of depreciation, in terms of gold for French and Swiss francs. The United States suspended the gold standard in April, 1933, but a little more than a year later a fresh gold content was fixed for the dollar, and although the new level was and is liable to further alteration within a definite limit at the discretion of the President, no such action has been taken. Belgium depreciated her currency at the end of March, 1935, but a [illegible] gold content for the belga immediately fixed, showing a devaluation of 28%, and the new rate was made permanent a year later. Although sterling remains unlinked to gold, the Bank of England has continued to increase its holding.

Widespread Faith in Gold.

"If further evidence were needed of the widespread faith in gold, it is strengthened rather than weakened by the world currency difficulties of recent years. It has been found in the hoarding of the metal by nationals of countries the stability of whose currencies, for any reason, be regarded as uncertain. Moreover, the decision of the United States Treasury to enable gold to be [illegible] in America, in exchange for dollars, by any country which gives reciprocal facilities, and the [illegible] of the British, French and, more recently, Belgian, Dutch and Swiss governments, in providing such facilities in their own countries to the United States authorities, is an indication of continued co-operation between the various countries.

"Sir John Caulcutt pointed out in his interesting and informative address to the Institute of Bankers last month that, in the opinion of the monetary authorities, [illegible] under present conditions, is the appropriate investment for the resources of their Equalisation Funds. It cannot be, however, when it will prove possible to place the international monetary system upon a more permanent basis, but the form a revived system may take, but I am in full agreement with the view expressed in the same address that, whatever changes are made, there seems no alternative to a system based in some way or other upon gold."

"Speaking generally of South Africa, wholesale and retail trading conditions in the Union have been satisfactory throughout the year, considerably more [illegible] done than during the previous year. The higher prices realised by farmers for their produce [illegible] improvement in the trade [illegible] conditions [illegible] for investment [illegible] enterprises, whilst the market for gilt-edged securities has been firm throughout the year.

"Banking statistics during the past two years have been affected by the Union Government's loan programme, particularly the large-scale conversion and redemption operations in connexion with the South African external [illegible]

[illegible] the maintenance of satisfactory [illegible] and business [illegible] expected in the general [illegible] of the public.

"[illegible] King of South Africa, the shareholders will [illegible] the appointment of the Hon. [illegible] as Governor-General of South Africa in succession to the Right Hon. [illegible] Clarendon, G.C.M.G., whose term of office will come next March.

Improvement in East Africa.

"In East Africa during the last 12 months there has been a [illegible] improvement in general conditions, and, although it cannot be expected that the effects of several years of depression can be overcome in a few months, there is no doubt that most sections of that [illegible] are [illegible] the benefit of better trade and the higher prices of agricultural produce. The improvement in the value of sisal has been maintained, and the prices of wheat and coffee have shown an upward tendency during recent months, creating a more hopeful feeling among farmers.

"The development of gold mining continues in Tanganyika and on a smaller scale in Kenya, in both of which countries a considerable increase in output has been achieved and the current year. A branch of the Bank has been opened at Chunya, in the Lupa area of Tanganyika.

"[illegible] experienced a record cotton crop, 1,000,000 bales having been reaped, [illegible] in the three East African territories. The [illegible] of the current year show [illegible] over the corresponding period of [illegible] was able to pay a visit to several of the [illegible] and see the [illegible] being made in the large part [illegible] this Bank is [illegible] cultivation and exportation of cotton. I was [illegible] interested on visiting the Cotton Office at Mine [illegible] and the Cotton Board at Alexandria. During the year the negotiations entered into with [illegible] followed by the successful conclusion of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, a factor undoubtedly [illegible] friendship between the two countries.

"Business in the Sudan has been satisfactory, and the prospects are good. The Gezira Dam is nearly [illegible] and should be completed [illegible] year."

The Accounts.

Turning to the accounts, the Chairman said:—

"A change has been made in the manner of presentation, the net profit, having been shown, on this occasion, after provision for income tax has been deducted, whereas last year it was shown as subject to the appropriation for income tax account. Compared with 1935, there is an improvement in profit of about £[illegible]. The contribution to the Bank of the contingent fund announced in March last, of 10% of the salaries and pensions paid by the Bank, totalled £77,[illegible], and has been charged to the profit and loss account, a further sum of £75,000 has been carried to the reserve fund, [illegible] £[illegible] in the previous year.

"Interim dividends at the rate of 5% per annum on the Cumulative Preference shares, [illegible] per annum on the "A" and "B" shares, less income tax at the rate of 4s. 6d. in the £, in all cases, were paid in June last. The Board now recommends the payment of final dividends at the rate of 8% per annum on the Cumulative Preference shares, and at the rate of 6% per annum on the "A" and "B" shares, less income tax in the case of the "A" shares at the rate of 4s. 5d. in the £, the dividend to be [illegible] on the "A" shares, at the rate of 5½%. After [illegible] these appropriations, there remains a balance of £[illegible] to be carried forward. It is proposed to pay these final dividends on December 21.

"Before I ask the shareholders to adopt the report and accounts, I wish, on behalf of the board, to express thanks to the South African board, the Cape local board, the Alexandria local board and the other local boards and local directors, the general managers in London and South Africa, the assistant general managers and staff at home and overseas, for the continuing loyal and [illegible] I now beg to move: That the report of the directors, produced, together with the audited statement of the company's accounts as at September 30, 1936, be received, approved and adopted, and that a final dividend at the rate of 8% per annum on the Cumulative Preference shares, and at the rate of 6% per annum on the "A" and "B" shares, less income tax at the rate of 4s. 5d. in the £, in all cases, be declared payable on [illegible] December 21, 1936, to the shareholders registered in the books of the company on December 3[illegible].

"The motion for the adoption of the accounts and payment of the dividends was carried."

Mitchell Cotts & Co., Ltd.

Mr. Alexander Hampton's Address

THE annual general meeting of Mitchell Cotts [illegible] Company, Limited, was held in London on Tuesday [illegible] afternoon.

Mr. Alexander Hampton, chairman and managing director, addressing the shareholders, said:—

[illegible] dealing with the [illegible] matters [illegible] I must explain that three of my colleagues [illegible] not able to be present with us this afternoon. [illegible] is a visit to our East African company, which [illegible] doubtful work of importance to our [illegible] organisation. [illegible] Bridge, who has substantial interests [illegible] has been there for some months [illegible] assistance to our local directors in connexion [illegible] general development of the business [illegible] managing director of Mitchell Cotts & Co. (South Africa), Ltd., is resident in South Africa. I think I [illegible] apologise for their absences. Indeed, I may say that it is the policy of your directors to keep in touch, in this way, with their subsidiary companies and business [illegible]. Moreover, we encourage visits to this country [illegible] directors of such companies for the purpose of [illegible] their knowledge of our [illegible] and our [illegible] here.

With your permission, we will take the [illegible] and accounts as read. (Agreed.) I will now [illegible] some of the important features in the accounts.

Dividend of 9%.

The profit and loss account shows [illegible] profit, including the aggregate profits [illegible] of our subsidiary companies, amount to £39,059, [illegible] of which we have paid, or provided for, directors' [illegible] expenses of now issue, reserve for income tax, and [illegible] dend on the Preference shares for the period [illegible] 30 [illegible] leaving a balance available for [illegible] dividend of £36,875. This is equivalent to over [illegible] cent. on the Ordinary share capital of the company, and your directors recommend a dividend of 9 per cent., less tax, which absorbs £13,[illegible], leaving a balance of £23,[illegible] to be added to our carry-forward.

You will see that we include the actual results of our subsidiary companies for their respective years, [illegible] being the policy of your directors to bring into the parent company's accounts the whole of the profits less losses of our group of companies.

Turning to the balance sheet, you will see that a large part of our assets consists of investments in [illegible] advances to subsidiary companies, and taken by itself the balance sheet is not a very informative document. Your directors therefore decided to include [illegible] a statement showing the consolidated form the combined assets of your company, and its subsidiary and [illegible] subsidiary companies. This is perhaps an unusual feature of our report and accounts, the more common practice being to publish what is usually termed a consolidated balance sheet. I think, however, that the statement in our report will be appreciated by those shareholders who, like myself, do not profess to be expert accountants.

The total net assets amount to £380,8[illegible], which your directors regard as a conservative figure. I will deal later with the development expenditure, £8,8[illegible]. The surplus of £36,875 is represented by the total undistributed profits of the group after deducting the dividend now recommended.

Advances to Subsidiary Companies

The advances to subsidiary companies have been made out of the proceeds of the issue of Preference shares last year, and have been used by the subsidiary companies principally for repayment of bank overdrafts. [illegible] point out here that the benefit of such repayment [illegible] not [illegible] Preference [illegible]

[illegible] accounts, [illegible] fact that [illegible] companies [illegible] during which [illegible] money [illegible] comments [illegible] Our [illegible] London [illegible] year [illegible] capital [illegible] last [illegible] we [illegible] demand [illegible] export [illegible] these [illegible] able [illegible] freight [illegible] improvement in [illegible] been favourable [illegible] South Africa [illegible] companies [illegible] general prosperity [illegible] seen an [illegible] month [illegible] effect that we [illegible] Nissen's Steamship Co. [illegible] the Clan-Houston Lines. [illegible] engaged in [illegible] South Africa, and it will [illegible] interesting [illegible] of area [illegible] considerable [illegible] directors [illegible]

East African [illegible]

[illegible] subsidiary company in East Africa [illegible] which [illegible] made up to December 31, 1935 [illegible] a small loss. The local directors report that trading conditions during the year 1935 were difficult. In an endeavour to increase the activities of the company, they have turned their attention to a wide diversification of sisal production, on which they have incurred some expenditure [illegible] also [illegible] which is operated [illegible] separately [illegible] production during [illegible] and [illegible] price of sisal [illegible] they expect in the future to receive a satisfactory [illegible] the money expended, which, in the meantime [illegible] carried forward [illegible] accounts. The [illegible] report some improvement in general conditions [illegible] year, due to the better [illegible]

[illegible] regarding [illegible] South Africa trading, it [illegible] to the local directors [illegible] state that a great deal of profitable business was done by our [illegible] London and by our South African company through our East African company, and that overall we came out on the right side.

We have a small subsidiary company in Vancouver which also reduced a loss on the year ended December 31, 1935. The business carried on there is mainly shipping and the income was diminished as the result of a strike [illegible] docks. Very satisfactory conditions now obtain in Vancouver, from which the company there is benefiting.

The remaining subsidiary company — Alldays & Onions, Ltd., which carries on an engineering business at Birmingham — has [illegible] on the general improvement [illegible] satisfactory increase in the profits as compared [illegible] previous [illegible]

[illegible] the approval of the [illegible] for the payment of a [illegible] on the Ordinary [illegible] the company, I invite [illegible] shareholders present [illegible]

[illegible] the directors' report and [illegible] 31, 1936, as submitted, be [illegible] adopted, and that a dividend of [illegible] per cent. be forthwith on all the issued Ordinary shares of the company to those members whose names were on the Register on the 1st day of December, 1936.

Mr. C. Mitchell Cotts seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

Re-Election of Directors.

[illegible] the re-election of directors [illegible] Mr. [illegible] Procter was retiring by rotation [illegible] Harper [illegible] retiring [illegible] of the Articles of Association [illegible] the [illegible] Chancery [illegible] as additional [illegible] resolution, which was carried unanimously.

Messrs. [illegible] were elected [illegible] auditors to the company, and the meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and staff, moved by Mr. Child, who said it was due to the Chairman and directors for the excellent good results disclosed in the accounts.

East African Estates

Trans-Zambesia Railway

BUILDING MATERIALS

If you want anything in the way of Building Materials or Hardware you will find The African Mercantile [illegible] your service [illegible] stocks

THE AFRICAN MERCANTILE [illegible]
[illegible] WILLIAM STREET

Which Motoring between Kenya and Uganda, take the road through Kisumu, and stay at the Well-known

KISUMU HOTEL

UGANDA
SOUTH [illegible]
VICTORIA
MOMBASA

East African Market Reports

London, [illegible] 1938.

The London Representative of the Board of Kenya has issued the following summary of the Board's auctions during November:

Grade	Offered	Sold	Average price
	bags		
[illegible]	3,160	3,175	75s. 10d.
[illegible]	125	125	54s. 2d.
[illegible]	104	104	50s. 10d.
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