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REMOVAL OF SOMALI VILLAGES in Nairobi

Trs, with observations, report by Messrs Shapley and Schwartz, with plans of Nairobi Township, and of the new model village which is suggested as alternative solution of matter; requests to be informed by telegram that removal is to take place.

Mr. Read.

This despatch was written before the Governor had received our telegram of the 17th of November on 54269 approving of the removal, taking place.

The facts as to the removal of the Somali villages from Nairobi are set out briefly in my minute on 54269. It would be vain repetition to set them out again. This despatch and the report from Messrs. Shapley and Schwartz bring out only one new point, which is dealt with by the Governor in the sixth paragraph of his despatch. I think that the families of Somalis absent on Government service should be assisted in their removal by the Government. The Governor is prepared to concede this. We can express approval in the telegram proposed on 62065.

(The enclosures in this despatch confirm the belief that the Somali protest has been carefully engineered by this firm of solicitors in the hope of remuneration. Their statement of the case gives the clear impression of the whole thing being a put up job, and of their knowing that their clients really knew

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

November 6th, 1916.

SIR,

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In continuation of my despatch No. 647 of the 13th of October, I have the honour to transmit herewith at the request of Messrs. Shapley and Schwartze a report prepared by them with regard to the contemplated removal of certain Somali villages to a site on the M'bagathi river, together with plans of Nairobi Township and of the new model village which is suggested as an alternative solution of the matter.

From Messrs.
Shapley & Schwartze
with encls.

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of Nairobi

plan of
Model Village

2. The report discloses few points which were not fully discussed in my previous despatch, but for convenience of reference I will deal with each paragraph seriatim.

3. Paragraph 1. All the officers upon whom Mr. Shapley called were aware that the removal

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ANDREW BONAR LAW, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

removal could not take place without some delay, due to the necessity for the preliminary survey of the plots, and they had nothing to gain by misleading him on the point. That many of the Somalis could ill afford the expenses of removal is refuted by the report of Messrs. Tate Smith and Henderson who were employed by Messrs. Shapley and Schwartze presumably to demonstrate the value and solidity of the buildings which the Government proposed should be pulled down.

4. Paragraph 2. This has been dealt with in paragraph 4 of my previous despatch.

5. Paragraph 3. The fact that persons who had been repeatedly warned of their insecurity of title should be willing to erect buildings which in many cases are of a substantial nature appears to me to be a proof of their prosperity, especially as Somali is by nature inclined to parsimony rather than extravagance. These houses were built at their own risk, and their value does not materially affect the question at issue.

6. Paragraph 4. The question of the removal of the families of those Somalis are absent on Government service is the only

point

point raised by Messrs. Stapley and Schwartz
which deserves even the smallest consideration.

I am not inclined to view with favour the
request that assistance in the removal should
be given to these people as presumably their
husbands accepted employment from the Government
for their own advantage, but if you are of
opinion that this concession should be granted
I shall have no objection to offer. I should
strongly oppose the award of any compensation.

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7. Paragraph 5. This has already been
dealt with in paragraph 7 of my despatch of the
13th of October. These Somalis who are employed
as headmen, gun-bearers, and servants by "safari"
firms are permanently retained by them, and it
is significant that these firms have raised no
objection to the removal of their employees to
a greater distance from the town. Presumably
therefore no inconvenience is anticipated on
this account.

The reports, which Messrs. Stapley and
Schwartz refer to, almost entirely emanate
from Somalis who have returned from trading
tours, and it would not be necessary for them
to come into Nairobi to hear them. Furthermore,
there is no reason why they should walk to and
from their villages on the M'bagathi.

bicycles are commonly used by natives and many of the Somalis possess mules.

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Paragraph 5 (c). I have nothing to add to the remarks in paragraph 9 of my first despatch. The Somali, as a tribe, do not inhabit richly timbered country.

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time of the extension of the Swamp road, Messrs. Shapley and Schwartz would have mentioned the fact.

11. Paragraph 7. With regard to this proposal I desire to observe that the Committee appointed to consider the question of the Native Location in 1915 placed it on record that "several hundred acres are available for extension on the South side of the Nairobi river but this area should be held in reserve for future extension, the nearer portion of it being rendered unsuitable for present use by the proximity of the sewage outfall, night soil trenches, etc., and the further portion by its distance from the town". The water in the Nairobi river is also unfit for human consumption and no funds are available wherewith to obtain a supply from any other source. Apart from these considerations, however, I am not prepared to recommend the provision of a site for the town so close to Nairobi. The part played by them in the life of the town would not justify the allocation. At this period of its existence, it is very difficult to forecast future developments, and it is quite conceivable that, in a few years' time, sites will be required in the immediate

immediate proximity of the Township boundary for persons who will have a much stronger claim to those who possess the subject estate's present claims. My view is that the M'bagathi site is the most suitable and I see no reason to change it.

12. The suggestion that the Government should erect houses for the Somalis does not commend itself to me. I cannot believe that such a scheme would be either desirable or practicable and I do not think it would produce the results foreshadowed.

13. Paragraph c. The first letter referred to has no particular bearing on the present situation. It may possibly be regarded as a claim for compensation on account of an enforced removal at an earlier date, in the event of any financial assistance being granted to the Somalis by the Government in the future, but must be given no consideration. No trace of the second letter referred to can be found in the District Commissioner's office.

14. Paragraph d. This point has been dealt with in my previous despatch.

15. As regards the summary attached to

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the Report, I have no comments to make except to say that I am not prepared to consider the construction of a model village by the Government. Types of model houses, suitable to the needs of the different classes of the Community, can be shown to those Somalis who desire to conform to them.

16. The removal of these villages is directly in the interests of the health of the town, and I can only regard the attitude adopted by Messrs. Chapley and Schwartz as unreasonable and obstructive. They have, by pleading the necessity for preparing this Report, deliberately delayed a settlement of the matter and have produced no fresh arguments in justification of their action. They have of course no case whatever and their attitude throughout convinces me that they are well aware of this unfortunate circumstance. I trust that they will not be allowed to retard any longer the execution of measures designed for the public good, and that I may at an early date be informed by telegram that the removal is to take place when, as the survey of the plots has now been completed, I will issue the necessary instructions.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your humble, obedient servant,

A. C. B. B. B.

GOVERNOR.

Shapley & Schwatke,
ADVOCATES AND SOLICITORS

ALSO AT NAKURU & KISUMU.

LONDON AGENTS
MESSRS. GIBSON & WELDON
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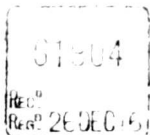
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The Right Honourable,

Andrew BONAR LAW,

Chief Secretary of State for the Colonies,

Colonial Office, Whitehall, London.

Sir,

We have the honour to enclose herewith a report prepared by us on behalf of all the Somalis resident in Nairobi relating to the projected removal of their villages by the Administration of this Protectorate.

In the short time at our disposal since the question of the removal of their villages was raised, we have endeavoured in our report to sift our facts as accurately as possible, but when dealing with natives whose instructions have to be interpreted to us through our clerks it is probable, in fact almost certain, that some discrepancies and inaccuracies may be found in our report, but we feel satisfied that on all the main points the report will be found to be quite substantially accurate with all the most material parts and we trust that any such discrepancies and inaccuracies that your Administration here may be able to correct will not militate against the interests of the Somalis whom we represent.

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Shapley & Schwartz,
ADVOCATES AND SOLICITORS

ALSO AT NAKURU & KISUMU

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Put very concisely the Somalis consider that they have an absolute moral and a perfect equitable right to claim two things, namely:

- (A) Compensation for their removal, and
- (B) Removal to a reasonable site near Nairobi.

In addition to this the Somalis have instructed us to put forward the suggestion of a model village on the lines of the scheme roughly sketched out in our report.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient humble servants,

Sd/- Shapley & Schwartz

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Report prepared for and on behalf of the Somalis resident in Nairobi relative to the Local Administration's projected removal of such villages.

The following documents form part of this Report on the case:-

1. Plan of Nairobi Township showing the approximate areas occupied by the various Somali villages.
2. The Report of Messrs. Tate Smith & Henderson upon the existing Somali villages and proposed new model village to be erected just beyond the Native Location upon the Nairobi River.
3. Copy of the letter addressed by the Secretariat, Nairobi, to the Municipal Committee undertaking on behalf of His Excellency the Governor to remove the Somalis forthwith from the Parklands area.
4. Copy of the telegram despatched to the Colonial Secretary through the Secretariat at Nairobi prepared by the Solicitors representing the Somalis.
5. Copy letter sent by Messrs. Shapley & Schwartz to the Chief Secretary, Nairobi, setting out in detail the Somali tribes represented.

REPORT

After seeing the letter in the press from the Secretariat, addressed to the Municipal Council, in

which His Excellency the Governor undertook to effect the removal of the Somali villages forthwith, the Somalis consulted with their solicitors, who had interviews with the Provincial Commissioner, the District Commissioner and the Assistant Secretary at the Secretariat. These officials then admitted to the Solicitors that it might be true to say that the Somalis had occupied their villages for seventeen years, being the period which has elapsed since the pitching of the Railway Camp, (for railway construction purposes,) first laid the foundations of the Town of Nairobi. They further admitted that it was intended to eject the Somalis from such villages at very short notice, being a matter of days merely, and that there was no intention on the part of the Government to, in any way, compensate them for the loss which they would necessarily sustain or to give them any assistance of any kind whatever. Even such necessary expenses such as transport of building materials and personal effects were to be borne by the Somalis themselves, expenses which many of them could ill afford.

2. For a great many years, namely, up to about the year 1909, the Somalis, resident in their villages in the Parklands district of Nairobi, paid Rs 2.00 per house, per month, to the Land Office, but about that time they were informed by the Land Office that the Land Office would no longer accept this rental, but that the Somalis would be taxed Rs 3.00, hut tax, for every Somali possessing a house, and that those Somalis who did not possess a house would be taxed Rs 3.00, poll tax, per head, per annum.
3. The state and condition of the buildings in the respective Somali villages is set out, in detail, in the Architect's Report attached hereto.
4. A considerable number of Somali women are living in their

husbands' houses in the Somali villages, whose husbands are absent engaged upon military and administrative work, as Askaris and interpreters for the Government, and obviously very grave hardship would result to these women if they were promptly ejected from their houses, without compensation for the loss they would sustain and without any provision for their re-instatement in new houses at some distance away. It cannot be supposed that such an injustice could be contemplated and when this aspect of the question was brought to the attention of the Provincial Commissioner and District Commissioner they expressed the opinion that consideration and treatment should be given in these cases, but no assurance of special treatment was given.

5. The main objections to the proposed new camp at M'bagathi are, as shortly set out in the cablegram of the September.
 - a. That the business dealings of the Somalis and very existence of their businesses and avocations necessitate their constant daily attendance in Nairobi, and, M'bagathi being rather more than eight miles distant, it would not be possible for them to walk in and out from there. The Somalis' mode of carrying on business, whilst in the Nairobi district, is to be in Nairobi daily, keeping in touch with market prices and conditions as regards sheep and cattle and also with the British Firms who arrange and fit out safaris and frequently require the services of a Somali to go on safari; then having made the necessary arrangements which often take weeks to accomplish, he goes on Safari, either as an employee or to purchase sheep or cattle in one district and transport them for sale in another, according to the fluctuation of supply and demand in different localities.

For the latter reason it is obviously essential that he should be in constant touch with the Reports which come into Hafrebi through many sources and channels.

b. M'bagathi is situated in a General Game Reserve and, the Somalis generally possessing considerable herds and flocks of cattle and sheep, they are peculiarly ill-suited people for such a location.

c. So far as the public are concerned M'bagathi possesses no fuel supply. There is a Government forest there but, up to the present, there has been no suggestion by the Local Administration that rights of fuel cutting therein would be granted to the Somalis or that provision of any sort would be made for them.

6. About two years' ago a new road known as Swamp Road was cut across the Parklands Common and through Hassan Hersi's village. The cutting of this road necessitated the demolition of certain houses belonging to Somalis. These Somalis were allowed to re-erect, and did re-erect, close to the road the houses which had so been pulled down. We are informed by the Somalis that about fourteen houses were so re-erected, but, whatever the exact number may be, there were undoubtedly at least three houses so re-erected; various departments of the Administration here (including the District Commissioner Office and the Land Office) were fully aware of this erection of houses by Somalis and this fact is evidenced by their correspondence with various people. Furthermore, it has been generally understood by European residents, and also by the Somalis, that the Somali village would be moved at the same time as the Native villages (roughly marked on the plan enclosed) are to be removed. It is understood that the said

Native villages will be removed to the Native Location and the Somalis are not dissatisfied to be moved beyond the projected site thereof; these proposals, as intimated to both Somali and European residents, quite properly dovetail in with Professor Simpson's scheme for the segregation of the various races by neutral zones, the Somalis being classed as Natives for this purpose. There would, of course, be a division between the New Native Village or Location and the New Somali Village or Location, or at least some clearly defined line or roadway.

7. The Somalis have suggested to us the following proposition, which they wish to have placed before the Colonial Office for consideration:- The government here might erect for them in the New Native Location, houses on lines approved of by the Medical and Sanitary authorities; for example, raised cement or stone floors or plinths, ceilings of a definite height (10 feet), windows of one-tenth the floor space of each room, and bathrooms at a particular slope with proper drainage arrangements. The Somalis do not ask that the Government should do this for nothing and all they ask for is illustrated by the following illustrative case:-

Suppose the compensation payable to a Somali in respect of his existing house to be Rs 500.00 and the cost of construction of a model house, in the new Somali Location, to be Rs 2000.00, the Administration here would be paying Rs 1500.00 (or £100) over and above the proper amount of compensation. In respect of such model houses the Somalis should be granted a lease, say, of 99, or 999, years at a rental, say, equivalent to 5% on the difference between the amount of compensation and the cost of building of the new house or, in the illustrative case, on the sum of £100, i.e. £5 a year.

As a matter of comment it is suggested that a scheme on these lines would have the advantage of settling the various tribes of Somalis in a way in which it would be easy for the Government to have Administrative control over them and, the Somalis having a permanent stake in the country at a fixed place, would be increasingly likely to become useful members of society. The advantages of such a scheme are quite obvious and compare very favourably with the projected dumping of a camp of nomadic people at M'Bagathi, which procedure would have the tendency to confine the Somali in his nomadic mode of existence and would be a set-back to the more settled existence that has been a feature of the Somali villages at Nairobi for a very long time past. We think the Local Administration here will completely bear us out when we say that there would be no difficulty whatever in collecting the rents from the Somalis if such a scheme were carried into effect.

8. Attached to this Report is a copy of a letter sent by Hassan Yussuf to Mr. Hamilton, the District Commissioner. This letter was not sent with the knowledge or consent of the three leading Headmen, namely Hussein Ali, Hassan Hersi of the Habar Aawal Tribe and Abukar Suguli of the Habar Yunis Tribe. This particular letter was written by an India Law Clerk, whose principal, an Indian Advocate, is, and at that time was, absent in India, and it is in the usual nonsensical phraseology in which semi-educated Indians usually couch their letters to Europeans holding important positions. This letter does not, in fact, convey that Hassan Yussuf really intended to communicate to the District Commissioner. We should not have troubled to comment, at such length, upon this letter but that there may be in the office of the District Commissioner and, perhaps, other Departments of the Government here, documentary evidence, which, on the face of it, is very harmful to

The first part of the document discusses the general principles of the proposed system. It outlines the objectives and the scope of the project, emphasizing the need for a comprehensive and integrated approach to the problem at hand. The document then proceeds to describe the various components and their interrelationships, providing a detailed overview of the system's architecture.



The second part of the document details the implementation of the system. It describes the various modules and their interactions, providing a clear and concise overview of the system's operation. The document also includes a discussion of the system's performance and its ability to meet the requirements of the project. The final part of the document provides a summary of the key findings and conclusions, highlighting the strengths and weaknesses of the proposed system.

The third part of the document discusses the future work and the potential for further development. It outlines the areas where the system can be improved and the steps that need to be taken to achieve these goals. The document also includes a list of references and a bibliography, providing a comprehensive overview of the literature related to the project. The final part of the document provides a conclusion and a list of appendices, summarizing the key findings and providing additional information for the reader.

the case for the Somalis but, when minutely analysed, proves to be ill-advised and almost meaningless communications which should not, in any way, prejudice the case.

Another instance is a letter, written on the 21st December, 1916, by a local firm of solicitors, which letter was sent by the said solicitors, on the instructions of certain private individual Somalis only and not with either the authority or knowledge of the Headmen of the villages, who, it may be remembered, are appointed such by the Government. We enclose a copy of the said letter to which, we understand, no reply was sent by the District Commissioner.

9. It is submitted that, in view of the foregoing facts, that the Somalis have acquired a sort of compound title to their property by occupancy of plots, plus cession from the Government, and this view is undoubtedly supportable, upon equitable grounds, in that the Government here have, for a very long time, adopted a policy of standing by whilst the Somalis have been permitted, with the knowledge of the Government and without hindrance, to maintain the houses which they erected many years ago and also to re-erect them, owing to the construction of the Swamp Road, certain houses had to be pulled down.
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S U M M A R Y

THE SOMALIS CLAIM:- that they have the strongest possible right, upon equitable grounds, to be assured of the provision of two things, namely:-

1. Fair compensation for removal to another village; it is believed that, in the main, such compensation can be calculated fairly accurately from the Architect's Report,
and
2. A new Somali village or location within a reasonable distance of Nairobi, with security of tenure therein.

THE SOMALIS REQUEST:- that they be paid

1. Fair compensation for the removal of household goods and building material, including reasonable arrangements for transport expenses, (unless the Administration here purchase their existing villages and sell the tin and wood, etc. by public ^{or other} auction, it is submitted, would be the most business-like way.)
2. That the Government construct, or have constructed a model village at a reasonable spot, such as that indicated beyond the area allotted by Professor Simpson's scheme as the Native Location,
and
3. That their proposed scheme for the Government financing of the construction of a village on lines suggested in this Report (see also Architect's Report) be carefully considered, and if found to be practicable, be acceded to.

SCHEME for PROPOSED HOUSING LOCATION
FOR SOMALI OCCUPATION NEAR NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

REPORT prepared by Tate Smith & Henderson,
Architects, Nairobi, B. A.,
and Kampala, Uganda.

Position of
proposed site.

The particular site for the proposed Somali location not being definitely allocated the following points are recommended:-

- (1) A site should be chosen if possible with a fall from the North East to the South West this being the direction of the prevailing winds in this district.
- (2) The drains (which are of the type known as "open drains") should fall in the same direction as the prevailing winds; thus accelerating the flow to some extent and carrying the smells away from the location.
- (3) The lay-out of the streets should be so arranged that the prevailing winds blow through their length.

Lay-Out.

We have suggested upon the following drawing a partial lay-out with a wide tree planted central avenue.

Trees of eucalyptus could be planted on each side of this avenue as it has been found that they keep away the mosquito to some extent. It is proposed that the secondary streets should be 60 feet in width and the back streets or "Sanitary lanes" 30 feet.

All drains from the kitchens, bath rooms, etc, must be connected to the main drain in the Sanitary lanes.

P L O T S.

We consider plots of 3000 feet superficial area quite adequate for the larger houses and plots of 2500 feet superficial area for the small houses.

The most convenient sizes we consider are 60 feet by 50 feet and 50 feet by 50 feet.

These sizes allow plenty of air space all

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round the buildings and between the buildings of adjoining plots.

All erections should be kept at least 10 feet away from the boundaries of the adjoining plots thus keeping a permanent air flush between buildings of twenty feet.

Kitchens must be kept at least 10 feet away from the living rooms and absolutely detached.

Ward closets must be kept at least 15 feet away from any Living Room or Kitchen.

Stables or sheds for the housing of any animals must be kept at least six feet from any Living Room or Kitchen and must be detached.

HOUSES &
BUILDINGS.

A "type" house is shown in the accompanying plan giving the minimum accommodation required by the majority of the Somalis.

A definite estimate of Rs.2400 per house has been obtained from a responsible contractor and is attached hereto.

It has been based on the erection of 50 houses at a time and at present enhanced prices.

The prices of material and labour will no doubt be lowered after the war in "German East Africa" and we consider that in a few months this estimate could be reduced by at least Rs.300 per house.

For economic reasons the walls and roofs are proposed to be constructed of corrugated iron but walls of more permanent material are recommended (stone, brick or concrete).

Floors should be solid and either of stone pointed in cement or of concrete and they should be at least twelve inches above the surrounding ground surface.

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The buildings should be absolutely rat proof and for this reason a cement skirting or fillet is provided at the junction of the floors and walls. Also any internal lining of the walls by means of wood or other material has not been provided as the space between the outer corrugated iron sheets and any internal lining would be a harbouring place for rats.

The rat being the carrier of the plague flea is eradicated as far as possible in the proposed construction of the buildings.

The bath room floors are proposed to be constructed of concrete with a smooth surface and sloped to an outlet immediately connected to a drain.

A drain is shown from the kitchen, so that all water may be immediately removed and thus prevent the breeding of the anopheline mosquito, the carrier of malaria, elephantiasis and horse sickness.

The walls of the Living Rooms are 10 feet high from the floor level at the lowest point and extra height is provided in the slope of the roof.

Ceilings are omitted as all false space in a roof is a harbourage for rats and other vermin.

Ventilators are provided in the gable apex of each roof and inlets are proposed at the floor level.

Lighting is arranged at one-tenth the floor area of each Living Room and half the area of each window is provided to open for ventilation.

Windows are to be in two heights, the upper heights hinged at the bottom to open in and the lower heights to be side hung to open out.

All exterior doors to have opening fanlights over them.

Kitchens are proposed to be made as rat proof as possible with adequate ventilation and solid stone floors.

Earth closets are to be located with open fanlights over the doors and one window in each at least four feet area, unglazed.

The floors are to slope towards the back.

All stand pipes are to be arranged to be near the head of a drain so that the waste water is carried away immediately and not allowed to form stagnant pools.

Mosques and schools are to be constructed on the same sanitary principles enumerated above., and especial care to be taken in the immediate removal of the waste and polluted water from the ablution troughs.

The floors of the mosques and schools we advise should be of smooth cement concrete so that they may be flushed with water and disinfected at frequent intervals and particular care to be exercised in the provision of adequate ventilation.

More natural light should be provided for the school rooms than is provided at present and we consider the area of the windows should be one eighth of the floor area of the room and the light equally distributed.

Water
service.

Should the site be allocated within easy distance of Nairobi the water service should be connected and one stand pipe for every 20 houses provided. Every mosque should have water laid on, as it is a necessity of the religion practised by the Somalis.

The head of every drain should have water arranged for adequate flushing of the drains in the dry seasons.

Outfall
DRAIN.

The drainage of the proposed Somali location should, if possible, be connected to the outfall sewer from Nairobi and go through the proposed septic tanks and filtration installation.

Architects, L.L. & R.F.B.A.
Nairobi, S. Africa, and
Kampala, Uganda.

Nairobi, 11-10-1916.

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To, Messrs. Tate-Smith & Henderson,
Nairobi.

Dear Sirs,

At your request I submit a tender for Somali House as per plan but if any length of time elapses I must be allowed to reconsider my tender.

On present market prices the whole complete as per plan in quantities of 50 houses will cost in my estimate each Rs.2400/-.

sd/ Geo. Blowers.

<u>House No.</u>	<u>Particulars of Properties.</u>	<u>Value of buildings on existing site.</u>	<u>Value of material at present or normal price.</u>
4	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room having the walls and ceiling boarded, iron roof, iron kitchen and bath room, iron in very good condition.	Rs. 750	Rs. 300 111
5	3 rooms, mud walls, 1 room with ceiling, iron roof.	Rs. 350	Rs. 100
6	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls boarded, cement concrete floor, kitchen, iron in very good condition.	Rs. 1200	Rs. 550
7	3 rooms, mud walls, iron roof.	Rs. 180	Rs. 60
8	1 room and shop of corrugated iron, bath room and kitchen.	Rs. 600	Rs. 350
9	2 rooms wood and iron.	Rs. 350	Rs. 200

ABUKAR SUGILI'S CAMP.

1	2 ROOMED WOOD AND IRON HOUSE, 1 BIG ROOM WITH ceiling and walls boarded, iron kitchen.	Rs. 800	Rs. 500
2	mud and grass hut	Rs. 45	Rs. 10
3	2 roomed house, 1 room with ceiling made of packing cases, mud walls, iron roof.	Rs. 120	Rs. 50
4	2 rooms, stone walls painted in mud, 1 room with ceiling made of packing cases, rough boarded partition, iron roof.	Rs. 450	Rs. 250
5	Mud and grass hut	Rs. 45	Rs. 10
6	2 rooms, mud walls and iron roof	Rs. 150	Rs. 45
7	2 roomed house of wood and iron, kitchen.	Rs. 350	Rs. 150
8	mud and grass hut	Rs. 60	Rs. 15
9	1 wood and iron room	Rs. 90	Rs. 45
10	mud and grass hut	Rs. 25	Rs. 5
11	Iron roof and rough stone walls	Rs. 150	Rs. 50
12	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls boarded, kitchen.	Rs. 350	Rs. 150
M O S Q U E	25 x 13 with stone floor, wood and iron walls, and roof, iron in good condition.	Rs. 1500	Rs. 900.

House No.	Particulars of description.	Value of Buildings on existing sites.	Value of materials as shown at present prices.
1	1 living room, kitchen and bath, wood and iron, iron roof, ceiling and walls match boarded.	Rs. 600	Rs. 850
2	2 living rooms, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, 2 bedrooms light plaster, building of wood and iron.	Rs. 750	Rs. 800
3	2 living rooms wood and iron house with a small iron roof, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded.	Rs. 900	Rs. 350
4	Small house wood and iron.	Rs. 150	Rs. 60
5	2 rooms wood and iron house with a small house attached, one room with ceiling match boarded.	Rs. 900	Rs. 350
6	2 rooms wood and iron house and outbuildings and a small house attached.	Rs. 900	Rs. 350
7	2 rooms wood and iron house, kitchen and bath room.	Rs. 600	Rs. 200
8	1 roomed wood and iron house.	Rs. 150	Rs. 75
9	2 rooms wood and iron house, bath room and kitchen, etc. and shed, one room having ceiling and walls match boarded.	Rs. 500	Rs. 300
10	2 rooms wood and iron house, with one room having the ceiling and walls match boarded, stone floor in house attached, bath room cement floor, iron good condition.	Rs. 1200	Rs. 500
11	2 rooms wood and iron house, bath and kitchen.	Rs. 550	Rs. 200
12	2 rooms wood and iron house, one room having the ceiling and walls match boarded, 2 outbuildings.	Rs. 600	Rs. 350
13	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room having ceiling only, match boarded, kitchen and walls and iron roof, 1 small house attached.	Rs. 550	Rs. 200
14	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, bath room and kitchen.	Rs. 600	Rs. 250
15	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, kitchen and bath room, 2 plates electric light.	Rs. 850	Rs. 300
16	2 rooms wood and iron house, kitchen and bath room attached.	Rs. 550	Rs. 200
17	2 rooms wood and iron house, kitchen and bath room attached.	Rs. 550	Rs. 200
18	2 rooms wood and iron house, kitchen and bath room attached.	Rs. 500	Rs. 150
19	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room with match boarded ceiling, kitchen and bath room attached.	Rs. 550	Rs. 200
20	Two small house with corrugated iron roof, kitchen of C.I. sheets, poor condition.	Rs. 100	Rs. 30
21	2 rooms wood and iron house, kitchen and bath room attached.	Rs. 500	Rs. 200
22	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room having the ceiling and walls match boarded, kitchen & bath room.	Rs. 530	Rs. 230
23	2 rooms house of wood and iron, one room with ceiling and walls match boarded, kitchen and bath room attached.	Rs. 600	Rs. 230
24	2 rooms, 1 small, the big one with ceiling and walls match boarded, kitchen detached.	Rs. 450	Rs. 150
25	2 rooms, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, kitchen and bath room.	Rs. 560	Rs. 175
26	2 rooms house, and walls, iron roof, and outhouses.	Rs. 350	Rs. 200
27	Shop and hotel of corrugated iron, very poor condition.	Rs. 250	Rs. 120
28	Two small house and corrugated iron roof and outhouses.	Rs. 150	Rs. 50
29	Corrugated iron shed, iron very poor.	Rs. 250	Rs. 150

34	2 roomed wood and iron house with asbestos.	Rs. 150
35	2 roomed house, mud walls, very poor iron roof.	Rs. 100
36	Mud walled house thatched roof.	Rs. 50
37	2 roomed house, mud walls, corrugated iron roof.	Rs. 80
38	Mud walled house and iron roof and kitchen.	Rs. 100
39	Mud walled house and thatched roof.	Rs. 90
40	Mud walled house and corrugated iron roof & kitchen.	Rs. 100
41	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with matel boarded ceiling, kitchen and bath room.	Rs. 150
42	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling match boarded, kitchen and bath room.	Rs. 150
43	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 house attached with mud walls and corrugated iron roof.	Rs. 100
44	Mud walled house, iron roof, small corrugated iron house attached.	Rs. 400
45	Mud walled house with kitchen, iron roofs on bot.	Rs. 200
46	2 roomed house with half mud and half iron walls and roof and kitchen.	Rs. 190
47	Mud walled house, corrugated iron roof, matel boarded ceiling in one room, mud walls and iron roofed kitchen.	Rs. 200
48	Mud and grass hut.	Rs. 60
49	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, kitchen, 1 electric light point	Rs. 300
50	2 roomed wood and iron house, kitchen and bath room, small house attached.	Rs. 10
51	1 roomed wood and iron house, ceiling and walls match boarded.	Rs. 150
52	1 roomed house with ceiling and walls match boarded and a small room attached, kitchen, "C."	Rs. 450
53	Mud walled house and iron roof, iron kitchen.	Rs. 90
M O S U S	Build of corrugated iron in good condition, stone floor, 3 points electric light, water laid on, cement washing trough, size of mosque 60 x 40 feet.	Rs. 400
Sheikh's House:	1 room built of iron, 1 point electric light and small school room attached.	Rs. 450

BURKIN ALI CAMP.

1	Small corrugated iron house.	Rs. 50
2	2 roomed mud walled and iron roofed house.	Rs. 150
3	Coffee alley, corrugated iron in very bad condition.	Rs. 300
4	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, iron in good condition. 1 point electric light.	Rs. 150
M O S O U V :	41.5 x 25.4 x 9.2 mped floor, walls and ceiling match boarded, iron in poor condition. 4 electric light points, veranda cement concrete floor, boarded cement concrete trough, Small school room 10 x 8 attached. Water laid on. 30 ft. open cement drain.	Rs. 1500
5	4 roomed house, mud walls plastered, iron roof good condition, and walled outbuildings.	Rs. 400
6	Mud walled house, mud walled kitchen, roofs of iron.	Rs. 150
7	2 roomed wood and iron house	Rs. 200
8	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, iron in good condition.	Rs. 400
9	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, kitchen, iron good condition, veranda.	Rs. 500
10	2 roomed wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling and walls match boarded, iron in good condition, kitchen detached.	Rs. 150

15	3 rooms house with veranda, mud stove, 3 rooms with walls and ceiling match boarded, mud kitchen iron roof.	Rs. 600
16	3 rooms house, mud walls, iron roof, one room with ceiling match boarded.	Rs. 300
17	Mud walled house with iron roof.	Rs. 150
18	Finished hut	Rs. 20
19	Finished hut.	Rs. 5
20.	Mud walled hut thatched roof.	Rs. 60
21	1 Mud hut	Rs. 20
22	1 shed	Rs. 50
23	Hotel premises, iron poor.	Rs. 250
24	Shop	Rs. 50
25	Shop	Rs. 50
26	Stone walled house, cement pointed, iron roof, 2 outbuildings stone walled with iron roof. ^{gum cement}	Rs. 1000
27	2 rooms wood and iron house, stone floor, kitchen, iron in good condition.	Rs. 900
28	2 rooms wood and iron house 1 room with walls and ceiling boarded, 2 outbuildings of corrugated iron, iron good condition.	Rs. 650
29	2 rooms mud walled house, iron roof.	Rs. 150
30	2 rooms house, double boarded wood partition, one room with walls and ceiling boarded, veranda, iron in good condition	Rs. 500
31	Stone walled house painted in cement, 2 rooms, 1 room with walls and ceiling boarded, iron in fair condition, outbuilding stone built in mud.	Rs. 900
32	Mud walled house, 3 rooms, iron roof.	Rs. 180
33	2 rooms house double boarded partitions, one room with walls and ceiling boarded, iron roof, iron in good condition	Rs. 500
34	Mud walls, iron roof and kitchen	Rs. 100
35	Mud walls, iron roof and kitchen	Rs. 100
36	Mud walls, iron roof and kitchen	Rs. 200
37	2 rooms house, 1 room having ceiling boarded, iron roof, iron walls, iron good condition.	Rs. 550
38	Mud walls and iron roof	Rs. 180
39	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room ceiling and 2 walls boarded, iron good condition.	Rs. 550
40	Mud and grass hut	Rs. 50
41	Mud and grass hut	Rs. 50
42	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room with ceiling (new timber) boarded, walls match boarded with new boarding, iron in good condition.	Rs. 200
43	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room with sawn boarded ceiling	Rs. 100
44	Mud walls thatched roof.	Rs. 10
45	2 rooms, 1 room with sawn wood ceiling, mud walls, iron roof iron in good condition.	Rs. 150
46	Mud walls thatched roof.	Rs. 45
47	Bubble stone walls plastered with mud, iron roof.	Rs. 200
1	3 ROOMY STONE fiber, iron roof, boarded ceiling, iron partition, they attached 2 rooms. 2 more rooms attached, iron outbuildings.	Rs. 1500
2	2 rooms wood and iron house, 1 room with walls and ceiling boarded, 2 iron outbuildings.	Rs. 750
3	Stone walls painted in cement, stone partitions wood ceiling, iron roof, wood and iron outbuildings, iron in good condition.	Rs. 1200

TEMPORARY LOCATION.

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Rs. 1200

SOMALI VILLAGES.

The Secretary, iat.

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Nairobi.

September 6.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of August 17, and to inform you that his Excellency the Governor has caused instructions to be issued for the removal forthwith of the Somalis residing on N'gara Plain and in the temporary location, to some suitable site on the commonsage.

The medical authorities are unable to recommend the removal of the native villages as suggested, in paragraph 5 of your letter, and in view of representations his Excellency has consented to their remaining where they are for the time being.

I have the honour etc.,

(Sd). T. S. Thomas.

for Chief Secretary to the Governor.

We instructed by all Headmen of Somalis representing every tribe and every section of Somalis in the East Africa Protectorate ask you to direct Administration here not to forcibly remove the Somalis and their Villages from existing sites in Nairobi to new site at M'Bagathi eight miles from Nairobi on following grounds

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- 1) Somalis settled Nairobi before advent of Indians and told by John Ainsworth to settle on existing sites 17 years ago
- 2) For many years before 1909 Somalis paid sh. 2/- per house per month to Land Office afterwards informed money not acceptable but taxed sh. 3/- Poll Tax or hut tax.
- 3) Existing Somali Villages have water laid on and paid for by Somalis also paid for Electric light fitting in several of their houses also have erected and established 3 Mosques and 2 Schools.
- 4) Inhabitants include women folk of Somalis engaged in Military and Administrative work as Askaris and Interpreters for Government absent from Nairobi who will have no home unless compensation or assistance from Government.
- 5) Utter impossibility for Somalis to carry on business in Nairobi if living several miles away.
- 6) M'Bagathi is situate in general Game Reserve.
- 7) M'Bagathi possesses no wood fuel supply unless grant of right in Government Forest. Stop Somalis state will not resist Administration by force but determined not to go M'Bagathi but willing to go any other suitable site near Nairobi provided compensated for cost of removal and loss of buildings Administration here have absolutely refused to grant compensation or even transport facilities of any sort. Somalis existing buildings almost entirely wood and iron wood ^{handling} panelling and ceilings most with cement floors and some stone buildings Government have informed us intend remove forthwith and have stated removal may be effected on 23rd instant Government intend Native Villages known as

Mombasa and Masikini immediately adjacent to main Somali Village
will remain until after war and proper provision can be made for
removal stop Urgently request you direct Government postpone
intended action to avoid injustices both individually and
collectively towards British Subject Somalis stop Have handed
this cable to Secretariat despatch for us without any alteration
or amendment and are forwarding full report to you.

COPY.

22nd September 1916.

Sir,

Somali Village.

Further to our letter to you of Yesterday's date we have the honour to enclose herewith a list of the Somalis who have personally instructed us. We are informed that these men represent every tribe and section resident in this District.

We also desire to point out that mass meetings of the Somalis, to which every adult male Somali was invited, were held in the open air on the Ngara Plains on the 15th, 16th, and 17th instant; the result of these meetings was that the men namely; Hussain Ali, Hassan Hersi, Abu Bakar Ogale, Hassan Yusuf and Aden Jama were appointed to represent and act for all the Somalis and it was further resolved that we should be instructed to request the Government not to send them to Bagathi and that our fees and costs should be subscribed for by all the Somalis in Nairobi.

We are informed that about 600 Somalis attended these meetings and that the resolutions were carried unanimously.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,
(signed) Shapley & Schwartz.

The Honourable
The Chief Secretary,
Nairobi.

ISAAQ TRIBE.

- (1) Hussein Ali, Headman appointed by the Government for Haber Awal Section. Ibrahim Awale, Ali Nuh, Shira Hersi, Mohamed Jama, Ali Sheikh Dun. and Abdullahi Aden, representatives Haber Awal Section.
- (2) Hassan Hersi, Headman appointed by the Government of Habr Jal Section. Haji Ismail Mohamed, ^{Adan Ahmed} Elmi Ahmed, Warfa Hassan, Musa Osman, Hersi Ahmed, Haji Aden Abdi, Ismail Yassin, Hassan Dabir, Mohamed Farah and Haji Nuh Rable, representatives of Habr Jal Section.
- (3) Abu Bakar Sugule, Headman appointed by the Government to Habr Yunis Section. Abdulla Samatar, Hasbi Jibriel, Yusuf Darod, Barala Mohamed, and Mohamed Abdi, (priest) representatives of Habr Yunis Section,

DAROD TRIBE.

- (1) Hassan Yusuf, Headman appointed by the government to Darod Section. Mohamed Zaffer, Ali Abdi, Ismail Farah, Jama Guled, Guled Hussain and Abdi Aden representatives of Darod Section.
- (2) Adan Jama, Headman appointed by the Government to represent Marti Section.

Nairobi D/2nd October 1916.

Sir,

I most humbly and respectfully beg to submit the following facts for your favourable consideration:- 122

About 10 years ago J. A. Ainsworth Esq., granted me and one Ahomed Hirshi of Darod Tribe a plot to build our house near the Somali Habar Sela Village and kindly promised us that we shall not be removed till all the Somali Villages be removed.

After some time the Nairobi Electric Company built their machine house close to us.

The Hon. Pro. Commissioner Mr. Hobley and several other officers knew these facts well as the gentleman who had bought this land after granting us by J. A. Ainsworth Esq., & he had complained against us before the late D. C. Mr. Humphry & several others also once before your honour but no body forced us to remove except ordering us to pay some ground rent & so we were paying him Rs. 10/- every month for some years & at last when your honour had gone on leave he complained again before Mr. Thompson who did not hear us at all & strictly orderd us to remove within three days notice about 9 or 10 months ago & so we have suffered great loss and inconvenience as what may we do? within three days even tent cannot be made & had for about one month we were sleeping on the ground.

I shall be greatly obliged to take note of our this humble report as we have been ruined & entered into trouble and we were forcibly removed in the N. E. Township where upon now no water is. and shall be ever thank ful for this act of kindness & pray God for you long life & prosperity.

I beg to remain,

Sir,

Yours most obedient Servant.

F. G. Hamilton Esq.,
The District Commissioner, Nairobi.

21st December 1918

Sir,

re Somali Encampment.

We have been consulted by several Somalis who are now residing at the Somali Encampment and they inform us that twenty two houses are to be removed but that no specified time for removal has been given to them nor has any ground to which they are to be removed been allotted to them.

We understand that the removal of these twenty one houses is the first step to the removal of the whole Camp which means that if these houses are pulled down and erected elsewhere in the present camp the owners will have again to bear the expenses of pulling down and re-erecting these houses.

We shall therefore be very much obliged if you could inform us (1) by when the houses have to be pulled down, (2) what ground has been allotted to them on which to erect their houses (3) any grant to be made to the Somalis to compensate them for the expenses of taking down and re-erecting their houses.

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There are several Somali women alone occupying some of the houses which are to be pulled down their husbands being on safari or out with Somali Scouts or in any other occupation away from Nairobi.

It seems to us extremely hard that these women are perhaps liable to have their houses pulled down from over their heads without having any one to re-erect the houses for them.

This we believe is the fifth time the Somali Camp has been removed and on the last occasion which was about two years ago an intimation was given from the Governor to the Somalis that in the event of their again being removed they would be given a permanent spot for their encampment.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your obedient Servants,
(Ed). Harrison, Salmon & Crosswell.

The District Commissioner.,
N A I R O B I.

PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

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One Document being (1) Key plan of Nairobi township.

(2) The same.

(3) Plan of proposed model village for Somalis near
Nairobi.

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A.H. Knightbridge

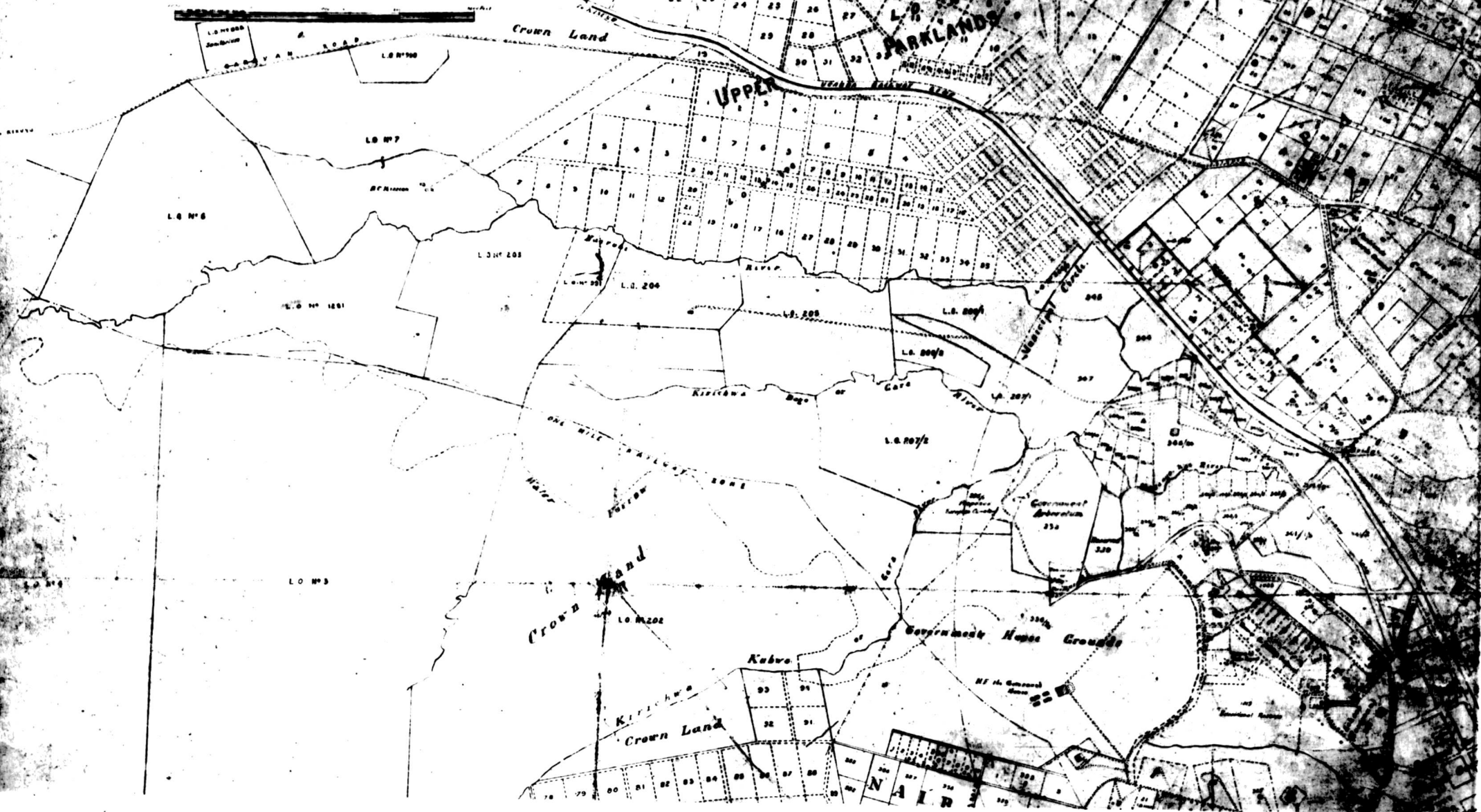
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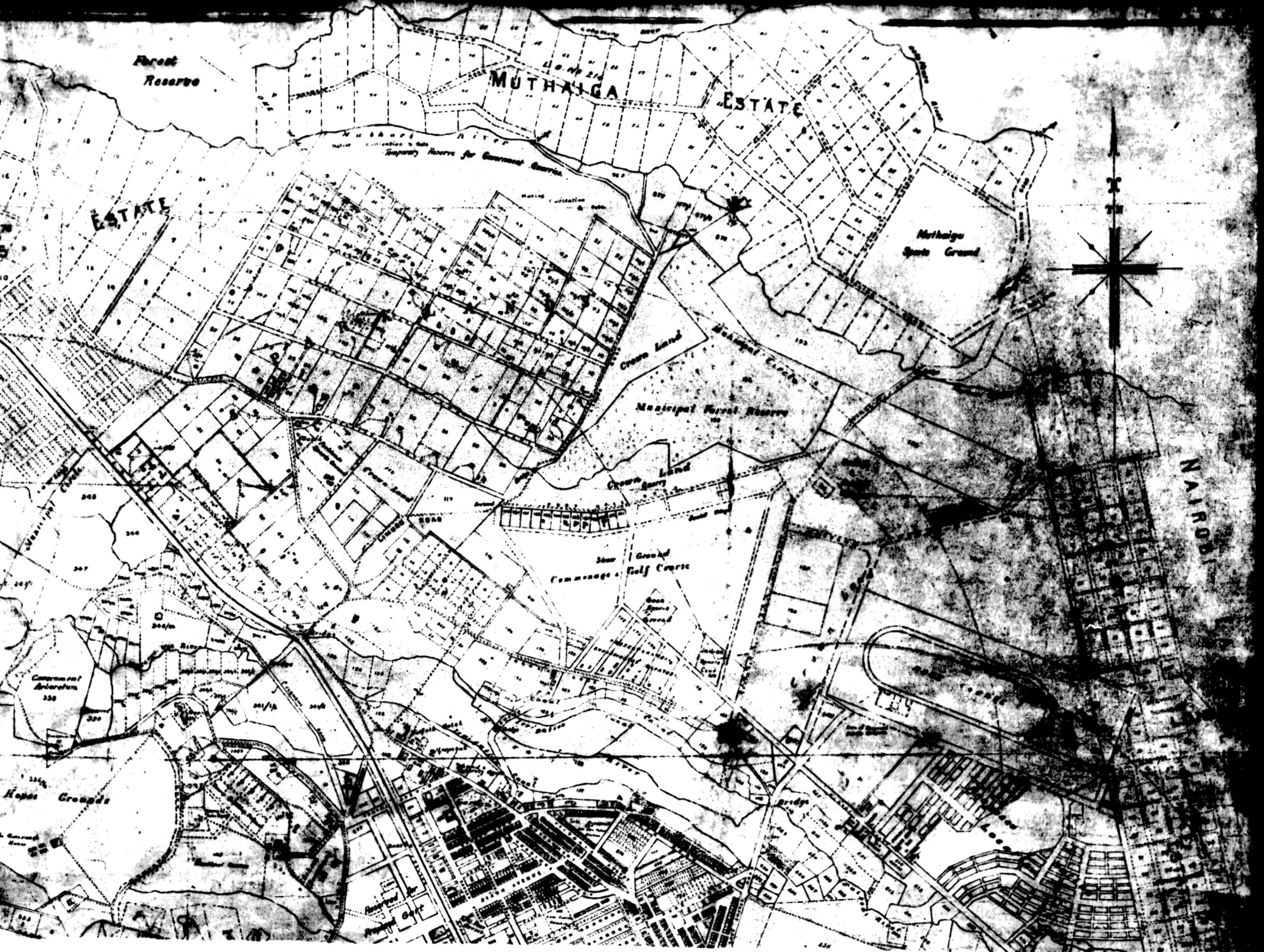
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NAIROBI TOWNSHIP

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MUTHAIGA ESTATE

Muthaiga Sports Ground

Municipal Forest Reserve

Commage & Golf Course

NAIROBI



Forest Reserve

MUTHAIGA ESTATE

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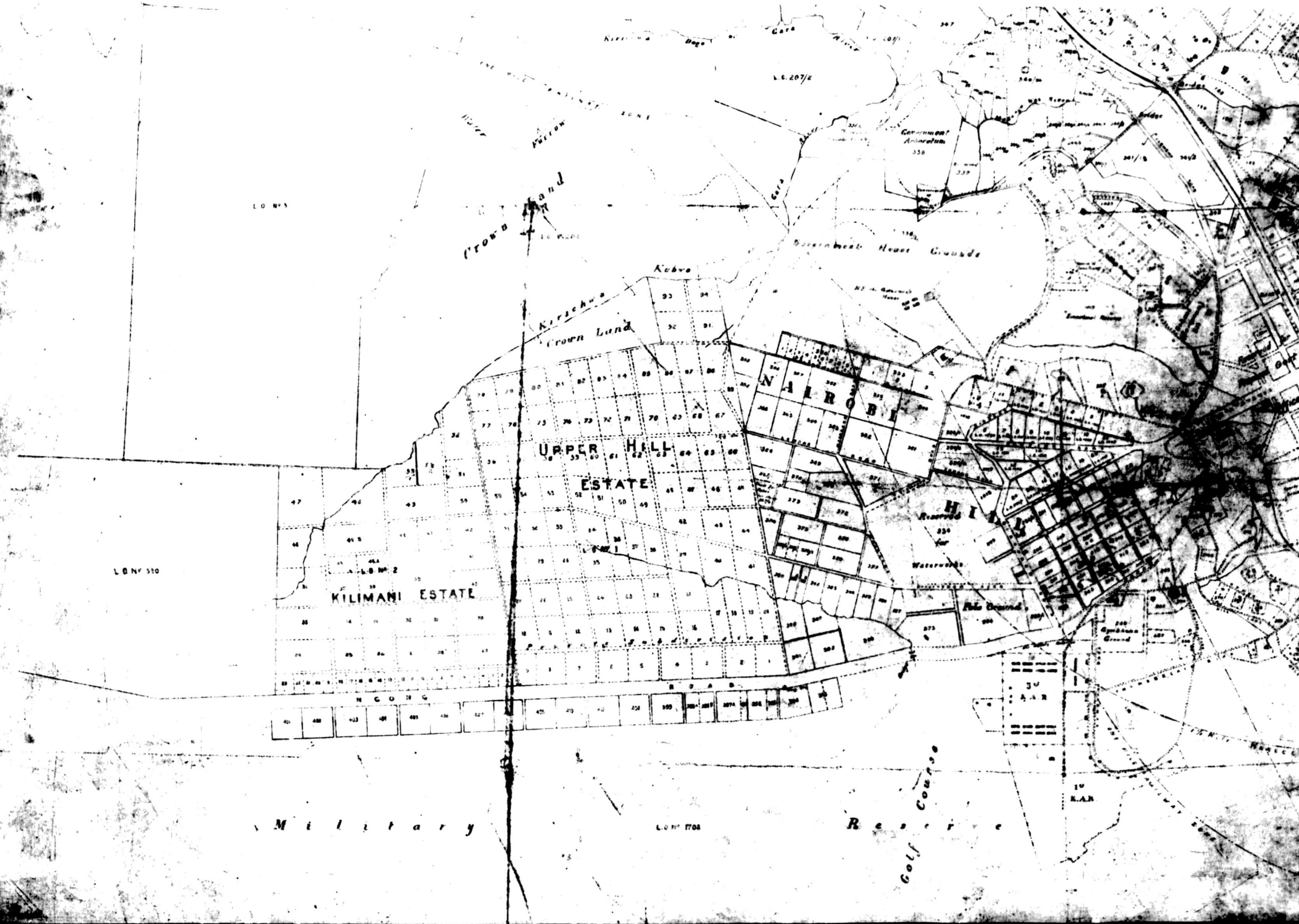
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Government
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Public Building



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Golf Course

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Commonage Golf Course

Government Arboretum

RACE COURSE

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Railway Landfill

Railway Workshops

Reserved for Government Quarters

Reserved for Rifle Range P.W.D.

L.O.N. 2860
Prison Extension
(Agricultural Area)

Medical Quarters
Reserve

L.O.N. 27

10 N.A.R.

Agony Water



Commonage & Golf Course

RACE COURSE

NEWARK SQUARE

Railway Landfill

Railway Workshops

Reserved for Government Quarters

Reserved for Rifle Range P.W.D.

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Medical Quarters

L.O. No 37

K.A.R.

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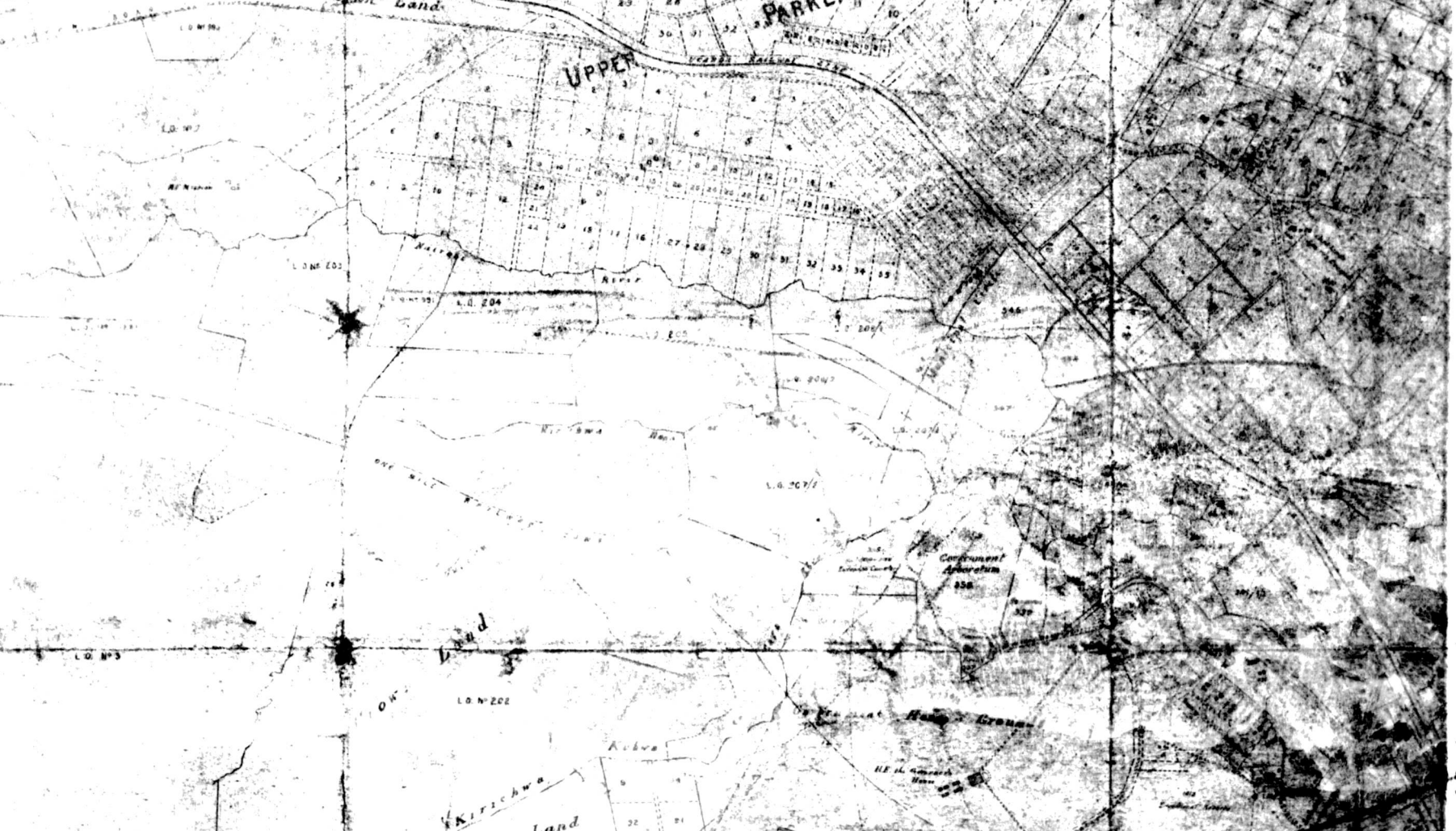
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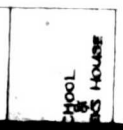
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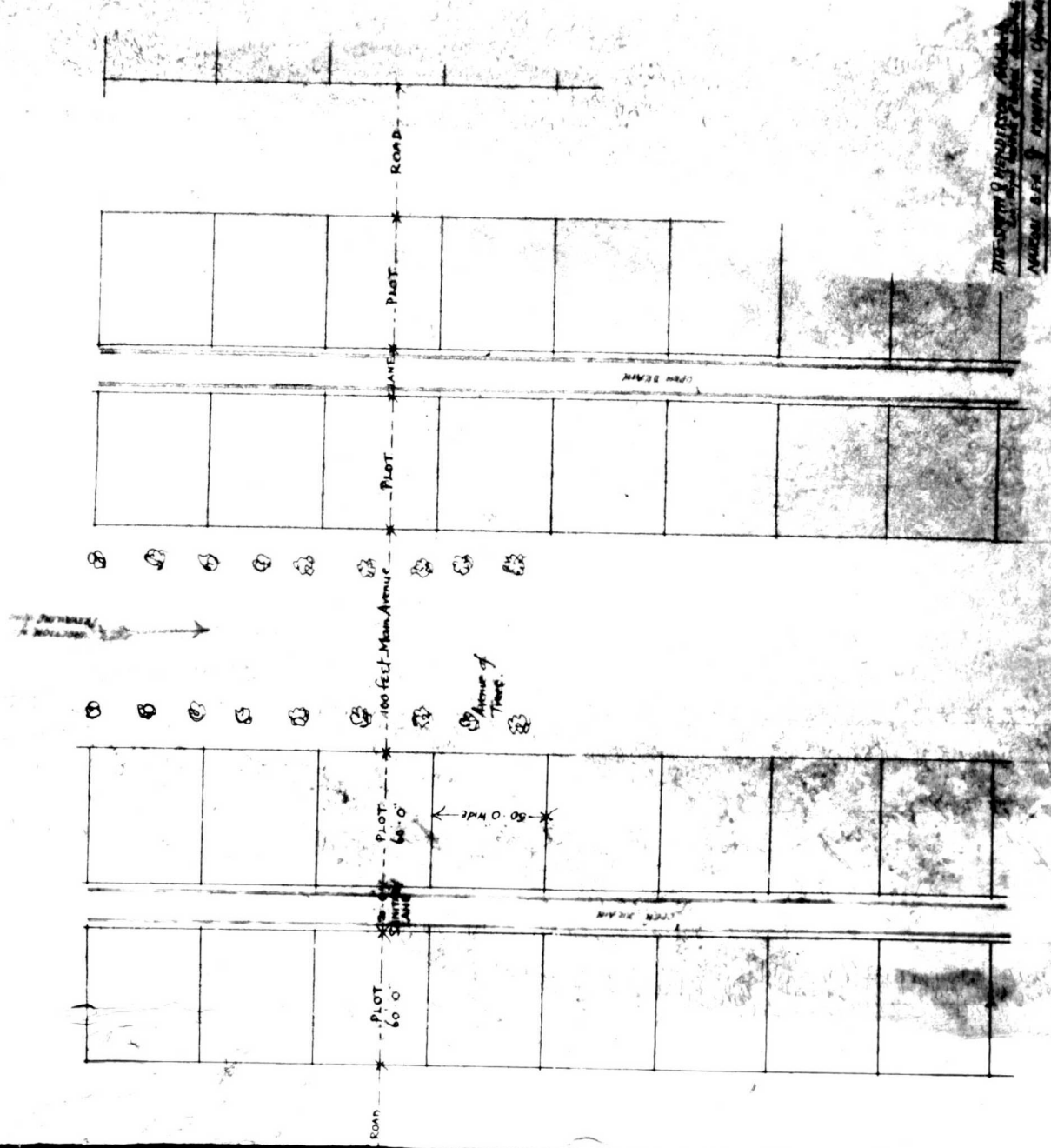
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