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UGANDA RAILWAY RATES

25th Oct

Last previous Paper

Quotes resolutions of Nairobi and Uganda Chambers of Commerce against increase. E.A. Section of Chamber passed resolution that some advance is necessary but incidence requires careful consideration. Hopes increase will be suspended for effect on various articles to be examined.

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Sir H. ...

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the matter is being
careful consideration of the S. M.

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Sgt. sent to C.D.

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the Chamber to make it clear that
they did not object to a full
amount of being put on provided that
it was properly adjusted. E.g. he
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25th October, 1919.

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Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that at a meeting of the East African Section of this Chamber held on Wednesday last there was under consideration the question of the increased railway rates on the Uganda Government Railway. Telegrams as following were reported from the Uganda and Nairobi Chambers of Commerce:-

"The Chamber protests in the strongest and most emphatic terms against unwarrantable imposition of the crushing increase in the Uganda Railway rates of forty to seventy per cent for the sole benefit of East Africa Revenue hereby crippling all vital industry in Uganda which provides enormous proportion Uganda Railway Revenue. Appeals to Government suspended operation immediately pending fullest enquiry."

"Nairobi Chamber unanimously supports Uganda Chamber's protest against recent increase railway fares rates request immediate suspension pending enquiry".

The Section unanimously adopted a resolution to the effect that it was generally understood that some advance in rates is necessary in order that the Government revenue may be increased but the Section is of opinion that the incidence of the increase upon various articles needs careful consideration. I am, therefore, on behalf of the Section, to express the hope that the operation of the increase will be suspended for a reasonable time in order to afford an opportunity for the effect of the increase on the various articles affected to be examined. The Section has appointed a Sub-Committee for this purpose.

Yours faithfully,

Charles Kempster
Secretary.

Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
Downing Street,
S.W.

L. J.

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Private

30 Oct 19

Sir,

I am to ask the date of your

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letter of the 25th of Oct. and the 27th of Oct. and to

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East Africa Section
of the Committee
[1. Oxford Court St. 4]
Secretary
of the Company Ltd.
1. Oxford Court St. E.C.4
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1. { agreed to benefit the East Africa
Section of the London Chamber of
Commerce

2. inform you

Mr. [Name] 29/10/19

Mr.

Mr.

Mr. Grindle.

Sir H. Lambert.

Sir H. Road.

Sir G. Pidd.

Col. Amery.

Lord Milner.

that the question of the
increased railway rates on
the Uganda Railway is
engaging the careful attention

in 61609

(Signed) H. J. [Name]