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Compulsory native labour  
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\*70. Sir John Jardine, — To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies, whether he can state the conditions on which compulsory labour for public works can be demanded in the Protectorate of East Africa. [Wednesday 24th June.]

Sir G. Fisher

See also H. P.C.

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I take it that he is referring to the questions of Native Revenue & Free Labour in the Revenue which were raised in the Native Labour Commission Report - see para: 105 & 118 of the Commission's Report p: p: 334 & 335. For the Ord<sup>s</sup> referred to in para: 118 see Para 110 & 112 15352 35710 112 herewith. The only other case of compulsory labour I am aware of is that set forth in Section 8 of the Native Hut & Poll Tax Ord<sup>s</sup> 1910 herewith - i.e. a native who cannot pay his tax may be directed to work for part in Year

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J.T.O.

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I assume that the Hon<sup>ble</sup> member's two questions have been put with a view to ascertaining what action I propose to take upon ~~either~~ whether the Report of the Native Labour Commission of the East Africa Protectorate in so far as it deals with the subjects of those questions. In that case I would refer him to the answer which I gave to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> member for West Leeds on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April.

H. J. R.

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*W. J. R.*  
(~~2000~~) "The I don't think that this will do, as an answer to the question. I will not concur with 22020, but I refer to the (Case 897) of Report:-

"Under the existing law free labour can be recruited for the construction & maintenance of boundary beacons, roads, bridges, water-courses or other work for the benefit of the community in Native Reserves, provided that the period of work does not exceed six days in any one quarter."

[It is unnecessary to bring in the provision as to working not being limited - § 8 (1) of order

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It of 1910 - as this stands on a different footing? ]

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Mr. GULLAND: Under the existing law free labour can be demanded for the construction and maintenance of boundary beacons, roads, bridges, water-courses, or other work for the benefit of the community in native reserves, provided that the period of work does not exceed six days in any one quarter.