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PRIORITY PASSAGE

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Previous Paper

request by the Compagnie des Messageries
Mondiales to return to France in B.E. Enclure
letter from Mr C.M. Dabbs in support of claim

Major Parkinson

Mr Haslehurst called yesterday. I told
him that in spite of this having a
strong case I thought it was unadvised

* that the S. of S. must be prepared to
ask the F.O. to exert influence
through the British minister in Paris

on the Messageries line to give him
priority. The French line presumably
regards its business for French people;

and there would be bad feeling on the
part of a good many persons in England
if a Frenchman was recommended
for special priority to the U.C. line, etc.

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I am assuming that the French public
 would prefer to see the...
 ? Express the S. N.'s regret that although he
 realizes the urgency of Mr. Harkness's
 case he does not feel justified in
 asking the F.O. to exert influence
 to secure him priority, but that he will
 recommend to the F.O. that you will on his wife's behalf
 to the C. and S. by a B.P.S.N. ^{aiding}
 if possible.
 Copy sent to all...
 before he can send...
 3.6.19

W.M. Harkness

I will have to
 arrange to get back from the
 M.M. all even less for the

return journey -
 the proposal to make the
 clear

W.M. Harkness

consider
 some for a representative passage? If
 there is any chance of this up to date
 according to... 3.6.19

Mr. Harkness's widow holds a commission, which she
 can only offer him & his wife 2nd class passage, and he
 was prepared to let her go 2nd class 4.6.19

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Hillas Farm

37 Chiswell Row

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the Secretary of State for the Colonies
London

Sir,

I beg to apply for your aid to
me to return to my farm in British
Guiana.

I enlisted in September 1914 & was
discharged in January 1919 my regiment being
the London Regt (Artists Rifles)

I am in possession of ^{First Class} return tickets
to my wife & child from Marseilles to

London by the Compagnie des Messageries
Maritimes but there is great delay in my
passage coming along.

I attach a letter from my
District Commissioner in P. O. Box 10

...substantiating my claim for quick
time to my farm.

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To enable me to do this I should be
greatly obliged if you could write to the
said Minister for the Colonies in Paris & ask
to ask the Compagnie des Messageries
Maritimes of Paris & Boulogne to grant me
the right of sailing.

I believe there will be a steamer from
London to Havre the end of this month
& my family are ready to leave on a
notice of sailing.

I trust that you I should be greatly
obliged if you could help me to obtain berths
on any other line.

I am Sir

Your obedient Servant

T. A. H. ...

Walter Douglas

Bushhurst

June 27/11

I have just received your letter here where
 we are stopping at present. I am afraid I do not
 have any more at the Colonial Office to write to
 you. I have written down a statement which I
 shall bring forth - the facts of your case & hope
 that it will do it & this letter will be
 my best to get you a berth out - to be for
 your wife & yourself. I certainly think that
 you will be better in working order & a partner
 in the business. I have had a number of
 people who have been out there before people who
 are only going out there to take up business
 and I hope you will have a stroke of luck
 the way of getting out - such as we had
 in getting home

Yr really
 W Douglas

Haselhurst & Lammahill own farm No 244
 in Solito Lumbwa District (B.S.A.D) of
 the High Commission District Commissioner since
 1912. In May 1915 Mr Haselhurst came to
 inspect having his partner Mr Lammahill
 left after the farm. He was then broke out &
 instead of returning to his farm in B.S.A.D.
 Haselhurst joined up & has been serving
 ever since only getting his discharge a few
 months ago. Mr Lammahill also joined
 up in East Africa & served in the Intelligence
 Dept for some time on the German border.
 He contracted very bad malaria & was seriously
 ill for some time had to give up service
 & return to the farm. The farm was then left
 for ~~some~~ ^{some} months & considerable loss
 occurred owing to both parties having
 left up since his return ^{from service} to the farm Mr
 Lammahill has tried to carry on the farm
 in spite of impaired health & one of my last
 letters before leaving my district on April 14
 was to send the Indian sub-assistant
 surgeon to visit Mr Lammahill who was
 very ill by him to be very ill & delirious

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5th June 1919.

DRAFT.

Hazlehurst Bay

Sir,

I am able to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 2nd June, and

MINUTE.

House - 4.6.19
Mr Parkinson

to inform you that, although the
realises the urgency of your case, he
regrets that he
would not feel justified in asking
to interview with
the Foreign Office ~~to~~
a view to securing
to secure your priority by the

Messageries maritimes line.

with, however, Lord

2. If you ~~should~~ find

rather with ~~recommen~~ the U.C.

M.S. by the B.S. as by the

Please the name of your wife

C.O. 533 226

you wife]

and yourself on the priority list with a
view to a passage to SA being granted
as soon as accommodation is available
I have received
~~information~~ of his being on the
list already in the priority list it may
be some months before you could

Just to add that

3. If you decide to sail by another
line other than the Messageries Maritimes
the arrangements for securing the return
of the same fare by you to that Company
for your return journey ~~can be made~~
by West Dept
~~to be made by yourself~~

W. & A. G. S. LTD.