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Termination of app. as Asst. Surg. (Asst.)

Perhaps a pt. advances report - asks for
Col. re employment, & payment of leave salary.
Further, these requests "1) verification report of Board
of Enquiry, & (2) reports on his work by Messrs.
Crawford, Blain & Macpherson...

~~W. H. R. R. R.~~
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Do not see how we can
give him re-employment in
the face of the Governor's
report. Nor is anything to be
gained by carrying on a long
& argumentative correspondence
with Mr. Wright. No officer
is ever likely to think himself
incompetent, & it is no use
whenever superior officers
report adversely on a man
our refusing to accept their
reports. In a case like this
it is in a sense impossible

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that is he expressed
himself in answer
to the proposal to
be made through his
Honor and was
in a happy mood
before leaving and
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5 June 1914

My Lord,

I am directed by
 the Secretary, Honourable
 Board, the rest of your
 letter of the 27th of May,
 and to inform you that
 your application to
 be allowed to exchange
 for other land the
 area proposed to be
 granted by you in the
 Colony to the south of
 Mombasa will be referred
 to the Governor of the
 E.A.P. for his consideration.

2. The Honourable ^{observes} ~~Secretary~~
 however, that the Governor
 has already been advised
 and that you
 local representatives in

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The Rt. Hon. Lord Waterman

MINUTE.

- Mr. Ashmore 3/6/14
- Mr. Reed
- Sir G. Fiddes
- Sir H. Just
- Sir J. Anderson.
- Lord Emmott
- Mr. Harcourt

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some result. I am sure that you would not like to see us spending a great deal of money on Land that does not promise a reasonable prospect of success and I am sure also that it is in the interest of the Country as a whole that when enterprises such as these are started, the prospect should as far as possible be favourable. We have already agreed to have our Concession cut down from 128,000 to 100,000 acres and we have done so knowing that you would agree upon an area that will give us a fair chance of making a success of the enterprise.

I hope, therefore, that you will give favourable consideration to this suggestion that I and my colleagues have made and that you will make some proposal to us on the lines and in the spirit of our request, which is to allocate to us a substantial area of Land within the Concession which lends itself to tropical cultivation and in a sufficiently compact block to justify the considerable capital outlay of opening up communication which at present does not exist with the Coast and that you may see your way to allocate to us some promising Land on the Coast and the remainder higher up Country.

I have the honour to be,

Yours faithfully,

J. A. Cavan

It would be a pioneer experiment which I and my friends would be prepared to consider as an alternative in order to arrive at some decision with the Government in this connection. I venture to point out that the original Concession was for 128,000 acres and according to the first survey for which I and my friends had to make a considerable outlay, the Concession extended South towards the Jumbo Mountain and North West including the Shimba Hills. I was subsequently informed that part of the Shimba Hills could not be included as the Government wished to retain the water supply, etc. for Mombasa. The area towards Jumbo Hill was also kept out of the Concession and I understand has been given to others. I and my colleagues, in the earlier days, sent an expert to examine the Concession and his Report was to the effect that the ground round the Shimba Hills was impracticable and the only really valuable part for tropical purposes was South part towards the Jumbo and that any ground in the centre of any value was taken up by Natives and the remaining patches were useless for purposes of tropical cultivation. I understand an exchange such as I have suggested has been conceded to others and I venture to hope with the full facts before you, that you may see your way to give favourable consideration to my suggestion.

We have waited many years to get our Rights defined and have been prevented during all this time from joining in the opportunity of developing the Property and seeing

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TO THE
 UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES
 Colonial Office,
 Whitehall, S.W.



Dear Sir,

RE: KURE FOREST.

Referring to the conversation that I and my colleagues recently had with Mr. Read, we have been in communication with our Representative in East Africa, who has cabled to us that he has seen the Governor who now informs him that 2,000 acres, free from Native Rights, can be allocated within our Concession and that the Governor has expressed himself against the suggestion of exchanging part of our Concession for Land elsewhere. In this connection I should like to state what transpired at my interview with Mr. Read when I was accompanied by Mr. Sjogren, who has been representing us in British East Africa and has just returned from there. The suggestion I put forward was, in view of the difficulties and long delay in being able to define the extent and locality of our Land under the Concession, that I would be prepared to take a smaller area and suggested 10,000 Acres somewhere along the Coast, and that as regards the remaining area, I would feel satisfied to take Land towards Kilimanjaro which I was informed was uninhabited by Natives and has no rainfall, but which might be turned to useful account by irrigation.

in a short draft and reported thereon
in 1887, for the purpose of the
reason for the affiliated claims to be
the responsibility of receiving in the original
region a reasonable use of land
which would be ^{sufficiently} suitable for a number
of quality & compactness to quality,
a considerable capital expenditure,
in view of the amount of the land
which, it is stated, has been assigned
to the S. A. State, has led to a withdrawal
of their claim and of the reservation
of the Shenandoah Hills by the State.

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