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Last previous Paper.

Medal for Native Chiefs and Headmen

Who have done special work during the war, and for exceptional services after the war. Requires when proposal would be considered, and what similar action is contemplated in other Colonies.

Mr. G. J. Jones

No proposal of the kind

has been used from any of our other Prots. or Insulars that no similar suggestion has been used by the

Director of the Dept. of the Interior

the fact that no similar proposal

from any other Prot. or Insulars

that in the course he thinks that will be better to let the matter

20/10/15

I observe that Mr. Read has looked

Copy comes from Mr. G. J. Jones 20/10/15

papers with reference to the Northern Territories of the Gold Coast and is inclined to think them not in point, but is that so?

It is true that the medallions were granted to the Northern Territories Chiefs in 1901 for their loyalty during the Ashanti Rebellion; that is to say, they had a specific local significance, but Captain Armitage in his proposals for replacing them by a silver medalion of more permanent character, expressly says that he desires to show them in some practical form, that their loyalty since the outbreak of the present war has been appreciated by the Government. There seems to be ~~nothing~~ to be very little between the two cases.

Yes - I think that the medallions meant to be the old ones
h. J.

In any case it may be desirable in other Colonies or Protectorates to give some public mark of appreciation to Chiefs and Healers, and unless there is difficulty about the money in the given case, I should say that it is worthy of consideration on its merits.

I should be inclined therefore to let Sir H. Be. field report further upon the matter.

(P. H. Be. field)

Mr. G. Fiddes

You have called my attention to the Submission attached to A/15, & I agree with Harris. SJK. to Sir H. Be. field as proposed?

*with a view to...
G. Fiddes*

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 765.

October 28th, 1915.

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Sir,

I have the honour to bring to your notice a suggestion by Mr. Ainsworth, Provincial Commissioner, Nyanza Province, to the effect that a medal be struck off for presentation to Native Chiefs and Headmen who have done special work, such as obtaining carriers for the military, or rendering other similar assistance, during the War, and that it be continued after the War as a reward for exceptional services.

I shall be glad to know if you are prepared to consider the proposal, and if any such action is contemplated with regard to other Colonies.

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

H. Gordon B. B. B.

GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

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

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

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31 Dec., 1915

E.A.P.
No 943

Govt Sir H Balfour

Ans'd 20/12/15

Sir,

I have pleasure to acknowledge

A.C. 30/12/15
M. Bostonley 30/12/15
W. Reed 30/12/15

the receipt of your letter
No 765 of the 28th of Oct.
in which you brought my notice
referring to the suggestion
that a medal should be
struck off for presentation
to Native Chiefs & Headmen
who have done special
work in connection

with the war, and to
I am glad to find that you
are detailed particulars of
it please I shall be glad to
submit in detail it will
for it my
sympathetic
consideration

Ans'd 20/12/15

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Mr. Reed 23
Mr. Bostonley 23

Capt