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Visit of Duke & Duchess of York to C.A.

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Secretary of State.

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ON THIS SIDE.

Sir H. Brooke Sir H. Lambert

N. Duke of York's Tour 484

Captain Brooke called this morning and while he was here we received the Secretary of State's decision that the announcement as to the Duke of York's tour should not be made by this Office but by the Duke of York's people. I ^{attach} ~~submit~~ the terms of the announcement which will probably be made in the papers of Wednesday morning. Our telegrams to the Governor should go off in the course of tomorrow (Tuesday). The Secretary of State had previously informed the Duke that it would not be possible to go to Parliament for a grant towards the expenses of the visit. This is understood.

As regards the portion of the tour when the party will be in the charge of the Uganda Railway Administration, I undertook, and Mr. Pelling fully agrees, that the party will be the guests of the Railway Administration. As regards other transport in East Africa, we can say nothing definite, ~~but~~ it is possible to give the Governor a lead, but as there will have to be a vote of the Legislative Council we cannot be very definite ~~to more~~.

I submit draft telegrams. This ^{will} ~~will~~ keep us going until we get a reply by despatch but if any point turns up on either side, I have given Captain Brooke Mr. Mactig's name; and, on the other hand it will be possible to communicate with him up to August 11th at Chesterfield House (Telephone ^{Groveview or} ~~Greenend~~ 2023).

Chesterfield House is being given up

on

on the 11th, and Captain Brooke's official address after that will be:-

Captain Basil V. Brooke, R.N.

White Lodge,

(Telephone Richmond 2.) Richmond Park.

Captain Brooke will himself approach the British India Company for passages by the S.S. "Muldera" leaving on November 27th.

The barebones of the tour are as follows:-

27th November. Leaving England.

21st December. Arrive Mombassa, preferably in the morning. See Mombassa and have lunch and leave by the afternoon train.

22nd December. Arrive Nairobi about noon.
21 days in Nairobi/Kenya

14th January. At Entebbe. 14 days in Uganda.

28th January. Jinja to Butiaba.

30th January. Arrive and leave Butiaba.

1st February. Nimule.

7th February. Rejaf.

17th February. Khartoum.

The time in Kenya and Uganda needs allotting.

Michael

The Sudan Official whom we have consulted agrees that for political reasons the return should be by Port Sudan and not by Cairo. His intention is to have a dry weather road constructed between Nimule and Rejaf, so that the necessity of walking the 92 miles will be removed. The Sudan will supply cars at Nimule and a steamer at Rejaf.

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was 4.8.24.
H. M. H. S. M.

*This will appear in Wednesday's
papers.*

Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York are spending the winter in East Africa. They will probably be leaving England towards the end of November for a tour in Kenya and Uganda. They have not yet decided on the time of their return. They will therefore be unable to undertake any engagements at home during the winter.

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Paraphrase telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor of Kenya.

(Sent 3.15 p.m. 6th August 1924)

5th August

My telegram of 5th August Secret His Royal Highness will return via Sudan. From political point of view however it is desirable that this should not be announced at present. You should not therefore make any suggestion assuming a return journey to Mombasa. Transport Administration will transfer charge of party to Sudan Government at Nimale on or about 1st February. Sudan Government will make arrangements from that point.

It would be useful when replying to my code telegram if you would at the same time give suggestions as to the value and nature of any ceremonial presents which should be given to Native Chiefs. This applies particularly to Uganda; in any case however information is desired rather so as to avoid unfortunate omissions than to indicate that it is His Royal Highness' intention to make any large number of presents.

Party will be guests of Transport Administration while on the system. As regards other expenses e.g. motor cars while touring the country I must leave it entirely to your discretion as to whether the local Administrations should offer transport facilities free of charge. Repeat telegram to Governor Uganda.

THOMAS.

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Paraphrase Telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor of Kenya.

(Sent 4.30 p.m. 7th August, 1924.)

Secret:

With reference my telegrams 5th August
 Arrangements made by Soudan Government to supply
 camp equipment etc. to Duke of York's party for
 period of his stay in Soudan. Would it be
 possible for your Government and that of Uganda
 to do likewise as regards stay in Kenya and Uganda,
 to avoid provision of equipment from England
 which would become useless on arrival at Nile.

THOMAS.

Telegram
 Capt. Bracke

8.6/85
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20/10 on Tuesday 5/12

Downing Street,

5 August, 192

Handwritten notes: 4 sent, 2.15 pm, 5th August 2nd

Handwritten notes: (Ug) 3939, (Kenya) 3845

Handwritten signature/initials

Their Royal Highnesses The

Duke of York Duchess of York and small party propose to visit Kenya and Uganda arrive Mombasa on 21st December.

Intention is see the country and get some shooting with minimum of ceremony.

It may be assumed that about five weeks will be available for tour apart from

main travelling on the following lines: roughly as follows: -

Nairobi 22nd December then

21 days in Kenya including tour round Mount Kenya and excursion by Trans -

Nzoia and back to Nakuru arrive Entebbe

14th January followed by 14 days in

Uganda. Possibly proportion between

Kenya and Uganda could be better adjusted.

Repeat this telegram to

Governor Uganda and arrange with him

outline suggestion for utilisation of

time to best advantage reporting to me

by

AFT. CODE TELEGRAM

Nairobi.

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Davis.

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Handwritten notes: 4/8/24, 5 at once

Arnold.

Thomas.

Handwritten note: with Captain Moolle.

by despatch to arrive by end of September.

Fellin: will make full arrangements
for travelling facilities for system under
his management.

(THOMAS)