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FROM
ORMSBY-GORE, HON W. G. A.

DATE
15th August 1924.

RE CIRCULATION :-

Mr.
Mr.
Mr.

E. A. COMMISSION.

Asst. U.S. of S.

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Fwds copy corres with India Office relating to Govt of India's proposal to send an officer to E.A. to assist Indians in preparation of evidence.

Perm. U.S. of S.

Part U.S. of S.

Secretary of State.

Previous Paper

Lucas
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MINUTES

Mr. Strachey
Mr. Read

Mr. H. Lambert

Part by ✓

Can may like to see this. Mr
Overby first came in on Thursday
morning, & it was agreed in discussion
that he sh^d send two 10. two letters
of which a draft is attached with
a small alteration on page 4
as indicated in the pencil; & this
has been done.

If the C.O. wish to pursue the
matter, they will now presumably
write to us. I agree that it was

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MINUTES NOT TO BE WRITTEN
ON THIS SIDE.

annual, if not irregular
for no 10. to approach
the Council first direct as to
his, especially as the
Indian question as such,
is outside the terms of
reference of the Commission

Puty

see
see

Jan 28/24

Yes. The assumption that the local Indians
are not perfectly capable of looking after
their own interests, & that they should require
the services of an officer of the Indian Dept. to
protect them or assist them is very ridiculous.

C.S.
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BROGYNTYN,
OSWESTRY.

13 Aug
1925

Dear Calder.

I enclose an

important letter received
last morning from the
India office, together
with my reply for you
to send on tomorrow

morning, if Clunch &
Dunfield permit. If

they are not in tomorrow
morning send it
on straight without waiting.

CS
SS

I regard the action
of the India office in
approaching me as
most improper. They
should have approached
the SFS for the Colonial
first. It is essentially
a matter for them
to decide.

Please Sampson
of the Empire Cotton Growers
Association from Hyderabad
request to my course at

as you are I have done
with him. I will look
in on you at the S.O.

Thank you as
very much for all
the trouble you have
taken. It is splendid
about our cotton etc.

Yours very truly
W. B. Bayly

P.S. Please a letter from
personally writing me to
read the report of a
commission on Decipherment
of hand in Hyderabad
dated April 1921. Will you
bring a copy with you when you return?

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—
The Under Secretary of State for India,
Economic & Overseas Department,
India Office, London, S.W. 1,
and the following reference quoted:—
E. & O. 2879/24.

Telephone:—
Victoria 8929. I.O. Ext. No.
Telegrams—
Rotaxandum, London.



INDIA OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, 322
LONDON, S.W. 1.
11th August 1924.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India to inform you that the Colonies Committee which was appointed by the Government of India under the Chairmanship of Mr. Hope Simpson in connexion with the position of Indians in the Crown Colonies, Protectorates, etc., has suggested that the Government of India should seek facilities for the deputation of an officer to East Africa to assist the local Indians in the preparation of evidence or information for presentation to the Parliamentary Commission under your chairmanship, in the event of any question in which Indians are interested arising in the course of its enquiries. The Government of India have telegraphed to the Secretary of State strongly supporting this suggestion.

2. A similar suggestion was made in regard to the presentation of evidence on behalf of the Indian communities if occasion for it should arise, before Lord Southborough's committee. His Lordship has been asked whether he would have any objection to the nomination of a representative of the Government of India for the purpose, and it is presumed that that question can be decided separately at a later stage.

3. In the meantime, as it is understood that your Commission is starting for East Africa forthwith, Lord Olivier desires to enquire whether you see any objection to the deputation of an officer to proceed to the three territories of Tanganyika, Uganda and Kenya for the purpose contemplated, on the understanding that the Colonial Office, who will be consulted, agree.

Major the Hon. W.G.A. Ormsby-Gore, MP.,
5, Mansfield Street,
W. 1.

4. In the event of your seeing no objection, His Lordship would also enquire whether it is expected that the taking of evidence will be included in the procedure of the Commission, and if so whether you will permit the officer deputed from India to give evidence on behalf of the local Indians, or to assist them in giving evidence, in regard to questions of interest to them that may arise. If on the other hand the formal taking of evidence is not contemplated, Lord Olivier and the Government of India would be greatly obliged if their representative could have informal access to the Commission in order to furnish information on any such questions and could be given any necessary facilities to assist the Indian communities in presenting similar information.

5. I am also to enquire whether you will be so good as to state the approximate dates on which it is anticipated that the Commission will arrive in Tanganyika, Uganda and Kenya respectively.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

E. J. Turner

in East Africa, & the
conditions of employment
of natives in Indian
owned cotton ginners
etc, but the sort of

questions examined
by Mr Hope Simpson's
Committee ~~are~~ ^{are} are

~~to~~ altogether outside
the terms of reference of
my Commission.

We leave the day after
tomorrow & shall be at
Dar Es Salaam on Sept 23rd -
at Entebbe, Uganda, Oct 7th & in
Nairobi, Kenya on Nov 1st. YFS

Yours faithfully,
L. G. Turner Esq.

BROGYNTYN,
OSWESTRY.

13 Aug 1924.

L. G. Turner Esq.

Dear Sir,

In the reference to

your E + O 2879/24

dated 11th Aug the

question of detaining

an officer of the Government

of India to meet the

Commission of which

I am chairman in

Brogyntyn,

OSWESTRY.

18th August, 1924

Dear Sir,

With reference to your E. & O. 2879/24 dated 11th August, the question of detailing an officer of the Government of India to meet the Commission of which I am chairman in East Africa is one of which I can express no opinion. It is essentially a matter for His Majesty's Government and for the Secretary of State for the Colonies in particular.

My Commission does not intend to take formal evidence.

With regard to paragraph (4), I do not see how an officer from India could possibly give evidence on behalf of local Indians in East Africa.

Undoubtedly

R. G. TURNER, ESQ.

This is from India

Kenya cannot afford to find ^{facilities} ~~the~~ for education - Native, European, and Indian, which are required, and it cannot afford, therefore, to neglect any opportunities of getting money from outside. But we do not want to beg, and we must I think use Mr. Oldham as an intermediary. He is abroad for three weeks.

6. I think that, without troubling the Committee to express an opinion of a man of whom they know as little as we do, we could tell Mr. Oldham that the Secretary of State shares the view of the local Government that the institution of a system of visiting ^{is necessary,} teachers and that he would be prepared to offer Mr. Dougall an appointment, under the Director of Education, in connection with the training of these teachers on the conclusion of his course in America; but that in the first place he must examine the question in the light of the general financial position and the demands of other branches of education and other necessary services, and this he will not be in a position to do till he receives the draft Estimates for 1925. And say that the question raised by the Governor whether any assistance is probable from The Jeanes Fund will of course have a material bearing on the Secretary of State's decision.

(This should give Mrs. Oldham

material

demanded

material for a demand both with regard to a scholarship for Mr. Dougall and assistance from the Jeanes Fund through Dr. Dillard.) As to salary, we can say that we should welcome advice but that we suggest \$600 - \$225 - \$700. (This has up to now been the salary of the Headmaster of the European School but it is being increased.)

Captain Westcott AMN.
~~Major~~
Promotions Dept.

I take it that you are not likely to want to put up a man for a specialized job of this kind. If that is so, the paper can wait until there is an A.C.S. list available to consider it.

W.S.B.
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Major ~~Turn~~

Ref. on conversation. I think it would be difficult to find a better man than Mr. Tongan for this app't. I may risk him for 6 months in C. Africa. But I consider it advisable that he should pass the same tests as apply to all applicants for Colonial Service under your Dept.

Hammerton

4-11-24

Mr. Hamilton
Mr. B. Stanley 351
Mr. Weston

I do not think we are likely to have anyone to put up against him it seems an suitable as he appears to be. But it might be as well to refer to us again before a final decision is taken as we may come across someone in the meanwhile who might be considered.

Ref. Major Vickers' minute - I agree that he should be investigated by us in the usual way before app't. though he is probably at right. If ^{ready} you will let me know as soon as possible I will have a letter sent out to him as we have done in regard to app'ts.

recommended to be
Hammerton
5/1/24

From the Branch could not put
anyone against Mr. Dougall
11th Nov. 1844

Mr. Bottriley

Then we can
write to Mr. Oldham
as in your minute
(but substituting "consider
Mr. Dougall for" for
"offer Mr. Dougall") -

wait for Est.?

GJ 10.11.44

Mr. Stansley

You will see from the
lower papers that the C^o
have put on the large
question all the Mr. Stansley,
Director of Education, comes to
court. I had accordingly
proposed in my earlier
minute to make progress
with the Dougall matter on
the strength of the C^o's
claiming of the jurisdiction of
writing teachers in the case
of Lyndre.

But Mr. Stansley has
assured that the
points will come before
the C^o in Dec. 1844

prepared an explanatory memo
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showing that besides in form
^{the} saying that the S. of S. approval of
writing teachers in Lyndre.

As so much time has already
passed, I think we can wait for
the C^o, & at this stage merely
ask Mr. Oldham to send a P^o to
be done all so that we can
have an official record of him?

W. S. 20. 11. 44.

S. W. M.
Stansley

prepared an explanatory memo

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^{her}
any of the W.S. of S. approval of
writing letters to Henry.

As so much time has already
passed, I think we can wait for
the C^o, & as this stage merely
ask Mr. Oldham to send a P^l to
Mr. Dory all so that we can
have an official record of him?

W.C.S. 20. x. 24.

C.S. 20/11
A. W. C.

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27th November 1924

W.C. Bottomley, Esq., C.M.G., O.B.E.,
 Colonial Office,
 Downing Street,
 S. W. 1.

Dear Mr Bottomley,

Thank you for your letter of the 26th instant.

I am sending on the application form to Mr Dougall, who is
 in America.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

John R. Mott

to the Secretary
 50272

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attach
G.S.D.
28711
at once

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24th October 1924.

W.C. Bottomley, Esq., C.M.G., O.B.E.,
Colonial Office,
DOWNING STREET,
S. W. 1.

Dear Mr Bottomley,

The present position in regard to Deugall and the
Jeanes' teachers experiment is this.

The plan, I understand, was talked over very
fully between Mr Denham and Dr Jones, and later between
Mr Denham and Garfield Williams, when the Phelps-Stokes
Commission was in Kenya. Both Jones and Williams have no
doubt that the Kenya Government are looking for assistance
from America.

The following paragraphs in Mr Denham's memorandum
express his view of the matter:

"It/

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"It would obviously be of immense value and help in the success of the scheme if an Educationalist with experience of the training of the Jeanes Teachers in America could be secured to assist at least for a time in the working of this institution. I am certain that such a scheme is assured of the support of the Phelps-Stokes Commission, and I believe that if it is put before the Commission and approved by them, the proposal would receive financial backing, which, as the Advisory Board is well aware, is so very essential and necessary at the present time when the finances of the Colony do not permit of Government undertaking any scheme involving a large financial outlay. I therefore ask your approval of the scheme, if agreed to by you, being put before the Phelps-Stokes Commission, and the assistance of Dr Jesse Jones, Dr Dillard, and Dr Garfield Williams being asked to enable it being started on such a scale as to ensure its success. I feel certain that the Jeanes teachers will prove to be a most valuable asset in this country and that we shall all owe a deep debt of gratitude to those who suggested the adoption of this excellent system in this country. That debt will be further increased if the Jeanes Fund can help us to establish the Training School for these teachers on an adequate and fitting scale and will lend the services of an officer already acquainted with the system, and can start the Kenya school for supervising Jeanes teachers on the right lines."

When the Commission met after reaching this country and discussed the Kenya situation I rather strongly pressed the point that it would be difficult for an American to start a new experiment in a British colony. His nationality could always be used against him by those who were opposed to his plans. The members of the Commission agreed with this view and were unanimous in/

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in the view that Dougall was the best man they could think of for the job if he had a year's training in America. Dougall intended to go out to missionary work in Nyasaland but this experiment seems so important that I joined in urging him to allow his name to be proposed. He has gone to America at his own charges believing that what he will learn there will be equally useful to him either in Kenya or Nyasaland. On September 26th Jones cabled as follows to Mr Denham:-

"Phelps-Stokes Commission regard Jeanes experiment Kenya vitally important all African education - believe Dougall after one year specialised training America best man for purpose - will endeavour secure his services if acceptable - Williams Vischer Aggrey concur - Jones"

On October 3rd the Crown Agents for the Colonies transmitted to Dr Jones the following cable which they had received from the Governor of Kenya:-

What?
 "4841/46 2nd October. Please inform Jesse Jones in reply to his telegram to Denham services of Dougall in connection with Jeanes experiments welcomed by this Government. I should be glad to be informed proposal regarding salary and Tweed (?) Jeanes Funds will assist. I understand Advisory Committee on Education concurs in Jones suggestion which I understand from Jones is supported by Williams Vischer and Aggrey."

In a letter which I had from Dr Dillard,

Director/

Mr Bottomley

Director of the Jeanes Fund in America, written before he had heard anything of the proposal about Dougall, he says:-

"I wish very much that a beginning of co-operation from America could be made, let us say, first in Kenya. And I should say first in a limited and tentative way. Even a few thousand dollars assured for five years could, I believe, with the co-operation of the Colony, make such a beginning of improving the education among the backward natives that it would at once commend itself to further support and steady growth."

So far as I can see the proposal about Dougall is likely to go forward as the parties principally concerned seem to be all in agreement regarding it. All that I was anxious to secure by raising the question yesterday was that the Advisory Committee at the Colonial Office should know how things were developing in case they might see any difficulty in the plan. I also am anxious to get a Laura Spelman Scholarship for Dougall if it can be managed as his visit to America is a considerable strain on his private resources and he could make better use of his time if he had a little more money. I think the Laura Spelman Foundation would probably grant the Scholarship on the strength of the job to which he is going, but I quite understand that the question cannot be rushed.

I know Dr Dillard well and also the tradition of
the/

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Mr Bottomley

the Funds with which he is connected. The whole success of their work in America, which has been phenomenal, has been due to the fact that from the start they laid it down as an unalterable principle that any assistance offered, while given for carrying out a specific type of work, should be given without conditions and that the control of the government at whose disposal the funds were placed should be unfettered.

I am,

Yours very sincerely,



situation ^{in Kenya,} ~~there~~ including
the proposal to adopt
the James system, ~~in~~
~~the case.~~ I don't think
it is clear that no
that any official action
can be taken as to the
selection of a man for the
post which Kenya
contemplates; but it
would be most useful
if you could pass on
the enclosed form of
Application to Mr. Tompall
and get him to complete
and return it, so that when
the time comes for the S.G.S.
to select a candidate,
an official record of Mr.
Tompall will be available.

Yours sincerely
(SA) W. C. Bottomley