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CARPENTER G.D.H.

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21 June 1923.

FOR CIRCULATION:—
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Secretary of State.

SUBJECT

SLEEPING SICKNESS ADMINISTRATION.

Encloses copy of letter to P.M.O. dated 9th. December 1922 outlining proposals for establishing Sleeping Sickness Control under one authority for Kenya, Uganda and T. T. and suggesting that resulting appointment be offered to him. States will call at C. O. Thursday, 28th. June.

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Sir

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Ref your letter of June 20th under
above heading.

I have the honour to enclose a
copy of the letter to which reference is
made.

I will call at the Colonial Office
on Thursday June 28th at 3 p. m., by
which time I trust Sir Herbert Read
may have found an opportunity to
read the letter.

I have the honour to be
your obedient servant

G. D. Hale Carpenter

S. M. O., S. S.

Uganda.

the Under Secretary of State
for the Colonies

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26th June 1923.

Personal

Dear Parkinson,

Thanks for your letter of the 25th and the Official Correspondence with Carpenter about Sleeping Sickness Control in East Africa. I received a copy of his official letter on January 9th. from Uganda and expected the matter would have come up before this.

The general idea seems to me sound-

(1) Sleeping Sickness is present in all three British territories, between which communication is easy over the Victoria Lake and less so by land, and is no respecter of "boundaries".

(2) Different policies of Sleeping Sickness have been pursued in the past in these three countries. It must conduce to efficiency, save expense, and stop leaks to have a common adviser for the three.

(3) The control of Sleeping Sickness has long been studied in Uganda and in two instances lately, as Carpenter says, advice has been sought from Uganda ~~from~~ Kenya and Tanganyika.

Entebbe, UGANDA.

9th December, 1922.

The Honourable
The Principal Medical Officer,
ENTEBBE.

Sir,

I have the honour to ask you seriously to consider the following points and to bring the matter before the proper authorities. I request that a copy of this letter may be forwarded to the Secretary of State.

I. For a long time it has been felt in Uganda that the control of Sleeping Sickness on Lake Victoria should be in the hands of one authority, or that at least there should be one central authority in the position of consultant or referee who should be able to advise. The analogy of the situation as regards the Veterinary Department is obvious.

II. The necessity of a single control for Lake Victoria has been urged both by Dr Marshall in 1920 when acting as Senior Medical Officer in charge Sleeping Sickness and by Mr Fiske in his administrative capacity as Reclamation Officer for Lake Victoria during the past two years.

Kenya and Tanganyika territory in the past have not dealt with Sleeping Sickness in the manner adopted by Uganda, and the radical differences have made many difficulties on the borders of Uganda and Kenya.

III. The need of expert advice on Sleeping Sickness appears to have been felt by the authorities of Kenya Colony who wrote in September 1922 asking if the services of Mr Fiske or Dr Carpenter could be spared to map out areas for clearing in Kavirondo, Kenya to defray expenses and salary locally.

(Despatch from His Excellency, Kenya).

IV. The question

IV. The question of Sleeping Sickness as carried by Glossina palpalis is a much bigger one for Uganda than for either Kenya or Tanganyika territory. Sleeping Sickness is a danger to Uganda not only on Lake Victoria but in the Eastern, Western and most particularly in the Northern Province. As regards palpalis Kenya is concerned only with Lake Victoria but there is Sleeping Sickness carried by this fly on the shores of Lake Tanganyika.

V. But even with G. morsitans Uganda is concerned as much as the other two territories.

An outbreak of acute human Trypanosomiasis has recently occurred near Mwanza for which aid was sought from Uganda.

(Letter 160/43 of April 18th 1922 from the Acting Chief Secretary Dar-es-Salaam) Such an outbreak produced by conditions described by Dr Duke in his report, might occur in any locality where morsitans exists, and the danger of its spread from one territory into another through the agency of morsitans is obvious.

VI. For these reasons therefore I have the honour to ask that on the analogy of the Veterinary Adviser an appointment be created of Sleeping Sickness Adviser for Uganda and the neighbouring territories of Kenya and Tanganyika. The Officer holding such appointment should also be in intimate relation with the Medical authorities of the Sudan, to whom the question of Sleeping Sickness on the Uganda-Budanese border is of much importance, and also with the Congo authorities. This would mean enlargement of the scope of the duties of the present Senior Medical Officer in charge Sleeping Sickness, Uganda.

VII. The Officer selected for the appointment would naturally be based in Uganda, in view of the facts stated in para IV and of para VI.

VIII. Further

VIII. Further, I have the honour to ask that in the event of such an Office being created the appointment may be offered to me. My qualifications for the Office are:-

1. I was selected by the Tropical Diseases Committee of the Royal Society in 1910 for research work on Glossina palpalis and spent some 3 years entirely on this work on Lake Victoria.
2. Before coming to Uganda I obtained the Certificate with distinction of the London School Tropical Medicine.
3. I have taken the advanced course of Entomology at the same school and moreover the study of Entomology has always been my chief hobby.
4. Since taking up my appointment as Senior Medical Officer in charge Sleeping Sickness, Uganda I have obtained considerable experience of Sleeping Sickness and Glossina palpalis under conditions differing^{as} widely as possible and embracing every race and country in the four Provinces of Uganda. During my extensive journeys I have also come in contact with the other three species of Glossina infecting Uganda; viz morsitans, fusca, and pallidipes.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

Sd/- G. Hale Carpenter, M.C. &
(Oxon) M.R.C.S., L.R.C.
F.L.S., F.R.S.,

SENIOR MEDICAL OFFICER,
in charge Sleeping Sickness

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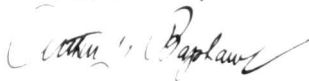
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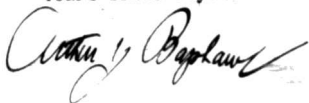
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Yours sincerely.



PERSONAL.

25 June, 1923.

Dear Neave.

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Of course, we can decide nothing without reference to the three Governments concerned; but you may have views which you would like to let us have before Sir H. Read sees Carpenter on Thursday, both as to the general idea and as to the particular application from Carpenter that he should have the job

I send this unofficially, as I do not want you to commit yourself at this stage to any official opinion.

Carpenter is, of course, an excellent man; but we must consider others too, if the scheme goes through; Fiske at once occurs to one's mind.

I am sending a similar letter to Bagshawe.



R. S. A. NEAVE.

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Duke of Devonshire

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3.25 pm.
26th July 23
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26th July

When may I expect your recommendations on Carpenter's proposal submitted to Municipal Medical Officer of H. Sec. asst. of sleeping sickness office for Uganda Kenya Tanganyika Secs