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FINE OF THE BASSI LOCATION OF S.KAVIRONDO

under the Collective Punishments Ord of 1909.  
Reports.Truste action will be approved.

Dr. G. Zoller

approve of the action taken?

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI,  
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

C. O.  
37709

November 1st 1912.

No. 773

REC'D  
RFD: 28 NOV 12

Sir,

I have the honour to report that I have deemed it advisable to inflict a fine of Rs. 250, the value of 5 head of cattle, on the Bassi location of South Kavirondo under the Collective Punishments Ordinance 1909.

2. The circumstances are as follows:-

About a month ago one Kinaro, son of Nykundi, living in the location adjoining that of the Bassi, reported to the District Commissioner, Kisii, that his shed had been broken open and a cow stolen during the night. He had followed the trail into the Bassi location as far as the village of the Headman, but from that point he met with no further success. The District Commissioner, Kisii, thereupon sent for the Headman of the Bassi location and ordered him to make every endeavour to trace the animal and discover the thief, with the result that some two days later the animal was found in a cattle enclosure in the location. The explanation given was that the animal was found loose,

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

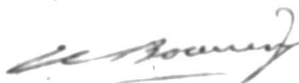
loose, wandering about the location and was taken to the cattle enclosure for safety.

8. There appears to be little doubt that the animal was originally taken to the Bassi location by the thief, and subsequently turned loose when discovery seemed likely. It is equally certain that the Headman and the inhabitants generally were aware of the theft and of the identity of the thief. As they made no effort to bring the offender to justice or to restore the animal, I have thought a communal punishment desirable and have inflicted the fine referred to above. I trust you will approve my action in the matter.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,



In the absence of the  
GOVERNOR.



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No. 835  
Sir. Belfield*

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- Mr. Kaper 2 Dec*
- Mr. Bottomley 2 p.*
- Sir G. Fiddes.*
- Sir H. Just.*
- Sir J. Anderson.*
- Lord Emmott.*
- Mr. Harcourt.*

*6 Dec 1912  
Sir.*

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your *Mr. Kaper's* despatch No. 773 of the 1<sup>st</sup> of Nov, and to inform you that I approve of the action taken, under the Collective Punishments Ordinance 1909, in inflicting a fine of Rs. 250 on the Bassi location of South Kaurondo in respect of the theft of a car from one Kinaro.

*Sir*