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WHITEHALL GARDENS, LONDON, S. W.

18th October 1912.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.32137/12 of the 16th instant enclosing a copy of a communication addressed to the Secretary of State by the Acting Manager of the Uganda Railway on the subject of the provision of free quarters for officials serving on that Railway.

2. We have received a direct communication from
the Acting Manager dealing with the same subject, and I
transmit herewith for the information of the Secretary of
Oct. 1912 State a copy of a letter which we are sending to that
officer in reply.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

for Crown Agents.

Under Secretary of State,

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Colonial Office.

18th October 1912.

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I have to acknowledge the receipt of the Acting Manager's letter No.6509/113A of the 18th of September enclosing a list of subordinate officers of the Uganda Railway sent out since March last and asking if these men had been informed by us that free quarters meant free furnished quarters.

- 2. We were, up to the receipt of the Acting Hanager letter No.5588/185 of the 13th August last (see footnote of that letter) under the impression that officials employed on the Uganda Railway were provided with partly furnished quarters as in the case of other officials serving in hast africa and, if the men now referred to enquired of us as to this, we no doubt referred them to the list of furniture on page 55 of the "Notes for Officers etc" a copy of which was given to each man.
- 3. Since the receipt of the Acting Hanager's letter above referred to, care has been taken that subordinate officers are informed that no furniture is provided with quarters.
- 4. With regard to the engagement of Mr Stonebridge would mention that this officer was interviewed here by Mr Church

Uganda Railway,

Mairobi.

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chruch of the Railway staff and Er Martin, the Head of our Appointments Department and one of his staff. Any questions which he may have asked regarding local conditions would no doubt have been answered by Mr Church himself or in any case in his presence and hearing, and it is therefore difficult to understand how Mr Stonebridge could have been left under any misapprehension on the point if, as he avers, it was specifically raised.

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Sir

Your Obedient Servant

(St) H. Martin.

for Crown Agents.