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Last previous Paper.

Cotton growing in German E Africa

Sends despatch from Zanzibar enclosing report
re prospects of Cotton crop for 1912-13

Mr. J. Fiddes

lbs
1 kilo = 2.2 + 250

Kilos = about 5 Cwt + not 2 Cwt as
stated in the margin of the report

I make out that the 8,000 former
bales = 11,000 English bales. In regard
our present report 20,000 bales per annum
- next year probably 30,000. Put by?

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Either weight or value of rubber
must be wrong, I think.

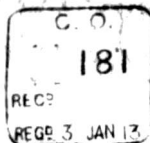
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and address—
The Under-Secretary of State,
Foreign Office,
London.



The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs presents his compliments to the Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies and, by direction of the Secretary of State, transmits herewith copies of the under-mentioned paper.

Foreign Office

January 2, 1913

Reference to previous letter:

Description of Inclosure.

Name and Date

Subject.

Mr. Clarke

January 2, 1913

No. 3 Council

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Cotton Crop

Prospects, German
E. Africa.

(Similar letter sent to the Board of Trade)

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No. 13 Commercial.

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November 30, 1912.

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a copy of a despatch which I have received from His Majesty's Vice-Consul, Daressalam, respecting the prospects of the cotton crop for the year 1912 - 1913 in German East Africa.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

Sir,

Your most obedient

humble servant,

(Signed) EDWARD CLARKE.

The Right Honourable,

Sir Edward Grey, Bart, K. G.,

ad., ad., ad.,

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28 DEC 1912

Inclosure in Mr. Clarke's No. 13 Commercial of November 30, 1912.

Mr. King to Mr. Clarke.

Darassalam,

November 14, 1912.

Sir,

I have the honour to furnish the following report respecting the prospects of the cotton crop for the year 1912 to 1913 the details of which have been taken from the D. O. A. Zeitung of November 13th.

It is estimated that the cotton crop for the year 1912-1913 in the Protectorate will yield about 8000 Bales of 250

kilograms each in weight. The following table shows the

estimated distribution of the crop:-

	Bales.
Southern districts	3500
Rufiji district	1400
Districts adjoining central railway	1200
Bagamoyo district	200
Districts adjoining northern railway	300
Victoria Nyansa district	1800
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	8400

Should the crop correspond in any degree to these estimates it will mark a considerable increase in the production of cotton as compared with the previous year. For the year 1911-1912 the

crop

about
2 cwts.

crop was about 5000 bales of 250 kilograms for the year 1910-1911 it was 3580 bales.

A notable increase in the cotton growing industry as well as in other respects has taken place in the south of the Protectorate and the Colonial Society has accordingly taken steps to establish a new cotton separating plant in Lindi, which will probably be ready early in 1913.

With reference to the development of the southern part of Protectorate it may be mentioned that there are now more than 30 European plantations between lake Ekoe and the Rovuma. In 1911 there was exported from the district of Lindi.

Plantation Rubber	...	34 Tons	of value	marks	26,700
Sisal grass	...	994	"		485,000
Cotton	91	"		112,000

Considerable portions of the Lindi district are reported as being suitable for cotton growing especially the Jukaleddi valley where experiments are being conducted based on a combination of the European plantation system and the native methods.

The two drawbacks to the further development of the cotton ^{ing} grow industry in his district are lack of transport facilities and lack of work people and until some solution of these difficulties presents itself there is little prospect of the

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Sd/- Norman King