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TROUT CULTURE
INSTRUCTION FOR MR MINSHALL

Asks that the matter may be reconsidered. Considers that trout may become an important and valuable asset to the Prot. The expense could be met from savings on the forestry vote.

W Baden.

The Gov. will now have received the D.P. to you on ⁴¹⁵⁵⁹ 4026 (as also ⁴⁰²⁶ 41559). I doubt whether anything more ~~is wanted~~ is really needed. Moreover, Mr Minshall could not now take a full course as planned at no. 3937. If re-engaged, doubtless he will be on his leave all and a good part except refer to my first opinion & say that in this case by ~~all~~ doubtless whether anything further need be done. but that if Mr Minshall return

return, it is considered desirable
for an officer to receive full
instructions. You should suggest a
suitable man who happens to be
coming on leave - whom S.M.
will be prepared to approve of
the exp^x

A.C.C.

Feb 20. 2

W. Read

I am very sceptical as to the
generable income from fishing licenses.
Refer to my despatch of the 18th of
Jan^t & ask whether anything more
is necessary than has now been done.

H.A.B.

Feb 21.

Dr. G. Fiddes

See photo of the fish
printed as proposed?

H. J. R.

22/II

Feb 24

It got 2 others

£26.2

The trout in the photograph is an old & fat male & well out of the water.

I am an enthusiastic dry fly fisher. If I had seen 29371 as I should yet have concluded in the same way.

I think there is great value in the establishment of trout in these rivers (the results in New Zealand have been amazing).

I hope they will try Rainbow & troutish (as well as Loch Leven). Although the former will probably go to the sea & never return, but if they stay in the small lakes, will do wonders for the first five years. I believe that the E. G. P. Govt. might make a large income from fishing licences if they can avoid having kept them so long.

In any case they will acquire a splendid food fish - if they get the pink fleshed variety - and I think it's a very moderate contrast to a most desirable result. If Cola had had a fishing rod he would never have got the native. M. 26.2.12

W. Butler.

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Mines of the S.P.S. minute, I understand
that we are to do something more
but Marshall's leave expires about
the middle of April - He could
not be in a month away of instruction
with Richmond. I arrangements
can't be made & have been run
up against mine & the plow is
left down at Richmond's letter of
2^d Dec on 4th. The only thing
that Mr. ~~Richmond~~ Marshall could not
do is to obtain practical experience
in building a suitable egg
house & I think you will
see him go a month
over his time for 1st wings left
of practical character would be
made up appear in the first place
in what you get so that he could
have a well made house
when you come back
we are making the other
arrangements as far as
possible to help and make
it a good place for me to go to

that this is necessary for the work
indicated in his despatch.

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H. J. R.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

NAIROBI, KENYA 15 410 12

BRITISH EAST AFRICA

January 15th 1912.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 35

(Incl. 1)

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 727 of the 15th ultimo stating that you do not feel justified in approving of Mr. Minshall undergoing a course of instruction in trout culture during his leave of absence.

2. I would venture, however, to give a somewhat fuller explanation of the circumstances which led me to make this recommendation in the hope that you may feel able to reconsider the decision now communicated.

3. The most important step in the acclimatization of trout in the Protectorate has already been taken, and it has been proved that they can flourish in streams at a certain elevation. All that now remains to be done in order to establish what ought in future to be a lucrative source of revenue is to transfer the trout from the Gura, where they now are, into other streams of the same kind. This operation, though it does not approach in difficulty the

task

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEONARD HARCOCK, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

BUCKINGHAM STREET, LONDON, S.W.

task of successfully establishing the Fish, which has already been accomplished, demands a certain degree of skill and experience, and it was in order to procure a qualified man capable of carrying it through that my proposal in regard to Mr. Marshall was made.

4. His expenses could as a matter of fact easily be met by subscription and various Government officials are prepared to guarantee over £50 without making any appeal to the general public.

5. I am however opposed to the adoption of this course as I think that it will hamper us in the future, if the trout become an important and valuable asset to the Protectorate, as I feel confident they will. I anticipate a considerable income from the issue of fishing licences and our freedom of action in this respect would be much restricted if we laid ourselves under an obligation to private generosity at the outset.

6. I enclose a photograph of one of the trout caught in the Gura which shows the dimensions already attained in a comparatively short period. There is no reason to suppose that the fish will not flourish equally well in the numerous streams which flow down the western slopes of Kenya. The distance from the Gura is not great and with a man skilled in handling the ova there ought to be no great difficulty in transferring a good stock in safety.

7. There are savings on the Forestry Vote from which Mr. Minshall's expenses could easily be met and I hope that in view of the circumstances you will find it possible to reconsider the matter or at least to defer your final decision until I can lay the matter personally before you.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

J. T. Bowen
in the alcove to
the GOVERNOR.

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DRAFT.

Fly Richardson by

MINUTE.

Mr. Parkinson 43. A letter up^{to} you from Captain 29th of
Mr. Parker / ~~1~~ last
Sir G. Field.
Sir H. Just.
Sir J. Anderson.
Lord Brougham.
Mr. Harcourt.

28th
of these a previous correspondence
Please to express whether
you could arrange a course
of rest lasting for not
more than one month
for Mr. G. Wimblett
at the Surrey Trout Farm
or other suitable fishery
under your control. The

The instruction required
would be of a practical
nature, the main
object being to ensure
that Mr. Marshall shall
be satisfied on his return
to G.A. to ^{indicate} the transference
of trout from the stream
where they now are to
other streams of the same
kind.

2 M^r A will be glad

to know what he can

do with it will be

make a ~~canal~~ ^{canal} or

be arranged

so as to

allow of

the

transference

Case 1477 Sat

~~Aug~~

~~P.M.~~
by H. Marshall

2 March 12

(1) (4) 1/15/12
Date 1/15/12
(4) (4) 1/15/12
little up to the G.A. from this date
the fact of four species
existing, I am etc to info
you that the Govt of the U.S.
has requested to me that
it is sensible that you and
I confer on your action
by P.M. is undertake the
transference of trout from
the G.A. into other streams
of the same kind.

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2. Inquiry is, therefore, being
made of Mr. Richardson
as to the possibility of
arranging a course of
nursing for a practical
nurse lasting for not
more than one month
on the receipt of a report
from Mr. Richardson a further
course will be made
to you.

3. The cost of the
course being arranged
you will be required to
deposit upon the S.
of the course a sum of £100
the deposit will be returned
when you have
finished the course
provided you do not
leave the country before
the end of the course
or sleep away from home