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March 7th 1912.

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No. 168

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observe that the Audit Estimates for
1912-13 have not yet arrived and, as the Appropriation Bill
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may again be delayed. I would like to
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AUDIT OFFICE.

Nairobi,

February 25th 1912.

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Sir,

With reference to your Minute No. S.1639 dated the 20th of February 1912 and the correspondence attached thereto on the subject of the increase of pay of certain Assistant Auditors which was not included in the Estimates for the year 1911-12, I have the honour to inform you that Messrs. Faulkner and McHardy have drawn pay on the higher scale from the 1st of April 1911 ~~on the authority~~ of the Secretary of State's despatch E.A.P. No. 676 dated the 8th of November 1910 with which was transmitted the draft of the revised Audit Estimates for the year 1911-12 including provision for this increase.

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2. While the fact had not been overlooked that the authority of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury was required for this increase, I would respectfully submit that it was not within the province of the Auditor to call for this specific sanction after he had been furnished with the Secretary of State's authority.

In accordance with the Colonial Audit Departmental instructions it is the duty of the Auditor to inform the Director of Colonial Audit of the authorities of the Lords Commissioners

Yours faithfully,
The Chief Secretary
to the Government.

Nairobi

Commissioners of the Treasury is requisite and
the Auditor has not been definitely informed to
the effect that it has been obtained, but in this
case as the Director of Colonial Affairs was al-
v the increase it was not thought
take any further action in the

I have &c.,

Sd/- H.C.E-Barnes.

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