

DOMESTIC

EAST AFR PROT.

No. 12022

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REGD 5 APR 07

(Subject)

Pension Compel & Pension Rights

Petition praying for

action (Minutes.)

Mr. ~~Rand~~ This petition (which has not reached us before) comes out of date. It is dated 26 March '06 when Mr. P. had reason to fear that he would be informed of a together. He was returned (see our despatch

2nd May on 11696/06)

He was told out that he might be sumonably retained. In the despatch regarding the Rector's estimates for this year (first despatch of the Manager) it merely states that he is retaining Mr. P. for this year.

It has not been as though any
official reply were required. It has
been left to Mr. [unclear]
to say what he thinks that if Mr.
[unclear] commands me to give him
a full account of the financial staff
Raff, and others will be suspended
before it goes to the concerned
of the Treasury

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~~Mr. [unclear]~~
~~Warden~~

After serving on a 3 year engagement, extended
for another 3 years in July 1902 & accepted by him
in his letter of 29 July 1902 (E) Mr. Swann
was informed on 13 March 1905 (D) that he had
been placed on the permanent Staff at £1225
- Before Jan 1903 (F) he was told that the engagement
was set out on permanent staff but only for 3
years from March 1903.

On 8 July 1903 (E) his salary was raised from £1225
to £1300.

I do not know whether this increase was deserved
partly as a solation for the mistake made on
13 March - but the increase went not to look
forward in considering the re-signing of the
~~engagement~~

The legal position I think is that a permanent appointment
on the terms of the Contract is not a matter of contract
at all but that, even if there is, and even if the letters
of 3 years do constitute a breach of contract, Mr.
Swann can by his conduct waive that breach,
and, in doing so, but also by continuing his
service under such a new contract (which
he since entered into) on the terms of
the letter of 1 June 03.

Consequently I do not think he has any legal
claim but if such appears to suggest, he was
eager to suppose that things which all right or
less important be practically permanent (though
for some reasons of red tape not to be so informed)
I think as much consideration as possible
be shown him.

2/26/1938

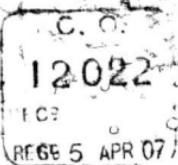
H. G. R.

4/5/1938

I agree

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far. But no answer need
her last until we receive
this through the formal



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THE HONOURABLE THE MARCHIONESS OF DURHAM AND KIRKCALDY.

M.C., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.

His Majesty's Principal Secretary for the Colonies.

The PETITION of JOHN WILLIAM SPENCER,

Minister of Native Affairs, Uganda Colony,

East African Protectorate.

1. THAT PETITIONER was engaged on the 29th.

of August 1898, for service on the Uganda Railway

upon an engagement (copy enclosed and marked A) for a

period of three years, in which it was agreed that on

the expiration of that term the engagement might be re-

engaged one, if mutually agreed, by placing ~~your~~ ^{the} PETITIONER

PETITIONER on the Fixed Establishment of the Railway,

with the regulation privileges as regards leave of

absence and retiring allowance on quitting the public

service

service, in which case all service under the agreement would count towards pension, should a pension be allowed in the rules part in force.

2. THAT by letter addressed on July 1904, (copy annexed and marked D), amending Leave Rules, Travelling Allowance Rules, and Rate of Pay, YOUR PETITIONER was offered a further engagement, and YOUR PETITIONER accepted under letter dated 20th July 1904 (copy annexed and marked C).

3. THAT YOUR PETITIONER was appointed on the 1st of April 1903, as Senior Assistant Traffic Superintendent on the permanent Staff of the "Ganga Rail", on a salary of Rs 400, per annum, by letter from the Railway Committee No. 1761 of the 14th of April 1903, (copy annexed and marked D), and subsequently YOUR PETITIONER received a letter from the Railway Manager stating that the Railway Committee were pleased to increase his salary to Rs 500 per annum from the 1st of April 1903 (copy annexed and marked E).

4. THAT YOUR PETITIONER received a letter dated the 1st, June 1903 (copy annexed and marked F) from the Railway Manager requesting the deletion of the word

'permitted' from the letter of account mentioned in

the last paragraph.

8. THAT upon the receipt of his annual report of the 1870
and 1871 fiscal year's interview Mr. P. Hanson, Comptroller
of the Railways at this period, and informed him that this
proposal was very unsettling, and received his assurance
that there was no cause to worry as the matter would be
put right in a few months, and relying on his assurance
for a sufficient time made no further protest.

9. THAT YOUR PETITIONER has never agreed to any such
deletion or waived in any way the terms of his contract,
and YOUR PETITIONER continued to perform his duties under
the contract to the satisfaction of his employer (only
or rather agreed and wanted G).

10. THAT YOUR PETITIONER thereupon proceeded home on
leave, purposed, and prepared himself for a long residence
in these States, in doing which he exhausted his capital,
the result of many years' careful saving.

11. THAT YOUR PETITIONER in addition to those effected
insurances on his life at a cost of \$50, per annum for the
benefit of his wife by the Legal and General Insurance Co.,
Company.

12. THAT YOUR PETITIONER could and would not have married

and incurred those responsibilities had by any idea that his contract was of a temporary nature, only.

10. THAT YOUR PETITIONER has now received intimation by the Railway Manager's letter No. 563 of 20th February 1906 (copy annexed and marked A) to the effect, that YOUR PETITIONER's agreement terminates on the 1st, of March 1906, and after that date YOUR PETITIONER is to understand that his employment is terminated.

11. THAT YOUR PETITIONER made no formal application for an appointment on the Uganda State Railways, but was selected by, and took the appointment at the request of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, through the Agent of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway in August 1896, and gave up sixteen years' service on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway for, as YOUR PETITIONER then believed, permanent service under the Protectorate Government in East Africa.

12. THAT YOUR PETITIONER has been through throughout part of the work during the construction of the Uganda Railway, and was repeatedly commended by the Manager and Chief Engineer, Sir George Whitehouse in his reports to

the Railway Committee, for good work done. On the completion of the Railway in December 1899.

~~WILKINSON~~ received the thanks of the Committee and letter of appreciation from His Excellency the Governor of Uganda for his services for good work done during the outbreak of plague in the Lake District.

13. THAT YOUR PETITIONER has officiated for the Finance Manager for five months in 1901 and again for six months in 1906, and has reason to believe, not only from the letter, copy of which is annexed, but also from the personal thanks and approval he received from Sir George Whitehouse and Sir Francis O'Callaghan, that he gave satisfaction on both occasions.

14. THAT YOUR PETITIONER on completion of the construction of the Railway was appointed to take charge of the Lake Victoria District, one of the unhealthiest portions of the country.

15. THAT YOUR PETITIONER has been unable to effect any savings since his appointment to the Lake Victoria District owing to the great expense of living and the courtesies necessitated by his frequent visits in his official

capacity to the German Ports.

16. THAT the Traffic in the Lake Victoria District of which YOUR PETITIONER has been in charge, has grown to such an extent that another Steamer is being added to the service and YOUR PETITIONER feels that the termination of his service, when the Traffic of that District has been placed in such a satisfactory condition, is all the greater hardship.

AND YOUR PETITIONER HEREBY PRAYS:

1. THAT his services may be continued on the Fixed Establishment of the Uganda Railway under the agreement accepted by him,

or

2. THAT full pension for the period of his service be granted to him.

AND YOUR PETITIONER, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Dated, Port Moresby, East Africa Protectorate, the twenty-sixth day of March, One thousand nine hundred and six.

No. 565

C. C.

From

The MANAGER,

UGANDA RAILWAY.

REGD. 5 APR. 03

To

J. W. GENEVIEVE LAMBERT,

Assistant Traffic Manager,

Port Florence.

Through

The Traffic Manager,

Nairobi, 27th February 1903.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that H. M's Commissioner has received a cablegram from His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies stating that you are offered temporary employment in your present capacity and on your present salary on this Railway after the 1st. March next, the date on which your present agreement terminates.

Further particulars will be communicated to you upon receipt of the Colonial Office despatch on the subject.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

S/d. W. A. S. CURRIE.

Manager Uganda Railway.

B. O. Forwarded.

S/d A. E. Cruikshank.

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Report

THE MANAGER,

Sir:

J. H. GRIFFITH, Manager,

Atlantic Coast Line Railroad,

Montgomery, N.Y.

Dated Nairobi, November 18th, 1905.

Sir,

I have much pleasure in stating that I now am
entitled to be satisfied with the conduct in which
you have administered the Pacific Department during
the absence of Mr. W. H. Brewster, my predecessor.

I am instructed to apply to you for an
allowance of \$1000 per month with effect
from the 13th. of August to 1906, inclusive. Under
the orders recently received from the Colonial Office,
this is the maximum I can demand.

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

S. H. H. L. D. GRIFFITH.

MANAGER,

ATLANTIC COAST LINE RAILROAD,

UGANDA RAILWAY.

No. 8468/181



Uganda Railways

Uganda Railways

Assistant General Manager

May 22, 1908.

dated Nairobi 1st, June 1908.

Sir,

With reference to my letter No. 1761/T of
14. IV. 08, I have the honour to request you will
cancel the word "permanent" in your letter of ap-
pointment. I have also to inform you that your
engagement is for a period of three years only, from
1st April 1908, and is subject to the terms set forth
in this Office Circular letter of 2nd, July 1902.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

S/d " MASON.

Manager Uganda Railways.

From

The MANAGER,

To

J. W. SMITH, Esq.,
Senior Ass't. Traffic Manager,
Mombasa.

Mombasa, 8th July 1903.

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Committee
have been pleased to increase your salary to £.500.
per annum from 1st April 1903.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

S. A. P. RAYSON.

Manager,

Mombasa Railway.

No. 1761
U.T.L.

To

The Manager,

Uganda Railway,

To

J. W. SAWYER, Esq.,

Through

The General Manager,

Uganda Railway.

Uganda, April 1903.

I have the honour to inform you that you have been appointed as Senior Assistant Traffic Superintendent on the permanent Staff of the Railway at a salary of £.435, pay annual, from 1st April 1903.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

S. J. SAWYER.

Manager,

Uganda Railway.

S/4. S. Sawyer covering

and date from an acknowledgement

S/4. S. Sawyer

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The TRAFFIC MANAGER.

Your No. 2 Town or Village, State, County, and Post Office.

Figure 1. A photograph of the two sets of samples used in this study.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your answer and to inform you that I agree to accept the appointment under the conditions mentioned.

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Uganda, etc. etc.

12. 15/7/02

Enclosed I have the honour to forward you copies of the new rules, acting allowances rules, and travelling allowances rules, which the Committee have decided to introduce for 1903, together with a scale of pay sanctioned for your Department.

In lieu of Travelling Fund \$3 is sanctioned in respect of the scale of salary.

I trust you will be so good as to ascertain the names of all members of your existing Staff who are willing to continue on a voluntary basis the terms now set forth.

It is understood that the date of commencement of the engagement will be April 1st, 1903, and those whose present salaries come within the scale will remain on those salaries, but that salaries of officers now above the maximum will be reduced to the maximum and will not, during the term of engagement, receive any further increase.

I have the

S/AGT. WHITFIELD,

Manager & Chief Engineer,

Uganda Railway,

No. P. 10615. Dated 15th July 1902.

Copy forwarded to J. W. BURTON Esq., C. I. E. Co. Agent, together with a printed copy of the new Leave Rules, who will please say if he agrees to accept the appointment upon these conditions.

With J. A. CHARLEY,

Asst. Manager.

(M. 15.7.02.)

Medical Department:-

Superintendent	from £.700. to £.100.
Asstt. Superintendent,	500. " 60.
As. (District).two	£.500 " 400.

Leave Rules for medical officials.

1. Every official on appointment must be examined by a medical officer:-
1. Being a native of tropical Africa or
 2. Not being a native of tropical Africa.
2. rules applicable to other class officials who are not natives of tropical Africa.

The following rules apply to all officials who are in receipt of monthly or yearly salaries exceeding a rate of £.4. or 10/- equivalent monthly, or who are not natives of tropical Africa.

Leave of absence can never be claimed absolutely as of right. Nothing in these rules must be understood to limit the free discretion of the Secretary of State, or take action under his authority, to refuse or revoke leave or absence of any description at any time, according to the exigencies of the public service.

Leave may be granted as follows:-

- (a). Leave on medical certificate.
- (b). Passage out of tropical Africa.
- (c). Leave on urgent private affairs out of tropical Africa.
- (d). Privilege leave.

Leave on medical certificates.

Leave on medical certificates will be granted only for the restoration of health and when the Principal Medical Officer of the railway considers that after leave the official will be fit to render efficient service.

The total amount of leave of this kind shall not exceed

extended leave not exceed three years in all and not more than twelve months at a time. All leave of this kind counts against the total amount of furlough that can be taken.

Leave Allowances.

An official on leave on medical certificate may draw his allowances at the rate of half his average salary drawn during the year previous to the date of taking leave for the first twelve months of each period of leave. For the rest of the period leave one-quarter of such average salary.

Short periods of absence on account of duly certified illness will not count as leave; but should such absence exceed in the aggregate sixty days in any calendar year, or forty days continuously, it will count as leave on medical certificate, on half pay for the whole period.

Assisted passage. (To India.)

Officials despatched in India, drawing less than Rs. 100 per month, taking leave beyond six on medical certificate will be allowed a sum of 300 rupees towards the cost of passage from aid to Kilindini.

Those drawing 100 rupees per month or over, but less than Rs. 300 rupees, will be allowed a sum of 175 rupees on this account. Those drawing Rs. 300 rupees & over, but less than 500 rupees, will be allowed a sum 150 rupees. Those drawing 500 rupees or upwards, no allowance.

To Europe or elsewhere out of Africa.

Officials drawing £.17. per month, and less than £.25., £.40. towards cost of passage; Officials drawing £.25. per month, and less than £.35., £.50. towards cost of passage; above £.35. no allowance.

Special cases will be dealt with on the spot on merits by the Committee.

Leave

The amount of leave earned is one-fourth of the period of active service on the Railway, ~~not exceeding six years~~ in all.

No single leave shall be granted for a longer period than twelve months, except under special circumstances when application for the necessary extension must be made to the ~~Chairman~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~Board~~ ~~of~~ ~~Control~~.

Leave Due.

The amount of leave due to an official is the amount ~~due~~ less by the amount already taken.

Leave may be granted-

- (1). Provided it can be done without detriment to the public service.
- (2). That the official has rendered three years' ~~continuous~~ service.
- (3). That in case of second or subsequent leave, he has rendered ~~three~~ years' continuous service since return from last leave. Leave or reduced certificates or leave on urgent private affairs.

Note:- Privilege leave is not considered an interruption of service.

Leave Allowance.

An official on leave may draw an allowance at the rate of half the average salary, exclusive of an allowance of the substantive post held during the previous year to the date of taking leave.

The arrangements in paragraph in regard to the ~~allowance~~ ~~per~~ ~~month~~ ~~and~~ ~~expenses~~ will apply to ordinary leave.

Leave on urgent private affairs.

~~On urgent private affairs, being shown an official may be granted leave~~

~~Leave on half pay~~, for a period not exceeding six months, 235
provided that no further leave can be taken than three years.
Leave service has been rendered, the allowance for the period
spent on leave will not be paid until the official returns to
duty.

The time spent on leave of this kind will count against
the total amount of furlough which can be granted.

Leave of this kind can only be granted during the
whole period of service, and it cannot be combined with any other
description of leave.

Maternity Leave.

Leave to the extent of one calendar month for every eleven
consecutive months of duty may be granted by the General Manager
or other Chief Officer of the Railway administration, provided
it involves no extra expense or inconvenience to the administra-
tion.

Should leave of this kind not be taken during a period of
forty-two months, two months may be granted, and should the
period without leave extend to thirty-three months, three months
leave may be granted.

For intermediate periods between eleven months and thirty-
six months on duty the same principle may be applied, one
day's leave for eleven days' duty.

No leave of this kind in excess of three months can be
accumulated.

No leave of this kind can be taken until eleven months have
been spent continuously on duty.

The allowance which may be granted for this description of
leave is full salary of the substantive post held at the time
of taking leave.

Should leave of this kind be due to an absence at the
time of taking leave on medical certificate, furlough, or
private affairs, he will be granted full salary for such period.

of leave up to three months corresponds with the privilege
to one day.

General conditions.

No official of the Railway while on leave is allowed to
take up any temporary service in the tropics.

An official on furlough, leave on medical certificate, or
urgent private affairs in the United Kingdom, must obtain the
privileges of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs before
returning to duty in Africa.

The Secretary of State may grant an offical leave to return
by a particular steamer, in which the leave expires on the
arrival of the vessel at Mombasa.

Leave under the heads (a), (b), (c), counts from the date
the official leaves the coast.

An official overstaying leave by two weeks will forfeit
all allowances during such overstay.

An official overstaying leave beyond two weeks will forfeit
his appointment, and all rights and privileges appertaining to
it; but should the Manager be satisfied that the length of the
overstay is due to circumstances beyond his control, the
Manager may except him from loss of appointment, but not from
the loss of allowance during the overstay.

Leave in Africa of any kind commences from the date of an
a half of his
official resuming over duties, and terminates on his return to his
duties or his absence.

Leave out of Africa continues on account of his, and ends on
date of arrival at Mombasa or Lamu.

All applications for leave must be made officially to the
General Manager, through the Head of the Department to which
the applicant belongs, on the prescribed form.

Leave applicable to open line officials who are natives of Africa

Officials of this kind are only entitled, when they can be

as required, to the holidays reserved by the Government of India in the locality in which they are stationed.

Heads of Departments are empowered to grant short periods of leave, not exceeding one month in twelve, on full pay or less, to such of the subordinate servants of this description of their respective Departments, as it can be conveniently spared without detriment to the public service, and on the understanding that no extra expense is occasioned to the public service.

All applications for leave on full pay or less, in excess of one month, are to be submitted on the responsible form by the Heads of Departments for the sanction of the Manager. The public service is not to be subject to any extra expense on account of such absence. Dates of leave & period may be decided upon by heads of Departments.

Cases of absence on account of duty - Cases of absence on account of duty connected with the service can be dealt with at the discretion of the Head of the Department in which the applicant is employed, on the same principle as governs similar leave to employees on other duty.

Travelling Allowances

An officer who absent from head-quarters on duty at night will, if he draws a salary of Rs. 25. or upwards per month, be entitled to an allowance of 5 rupees for each night of absence. If he draws a salary of less than Rs. 25. (T.T.C. or P.M.) per month, he will be entitled to an allowance of 4 annas, for every 25 rupees of his salary for each night of absence.

Bills for travelling allowances will be submitted monthly on authorized forms, and require the approval and signature of the Railway Inspector of Gear, or Head of Department or Deputy Manager under whose care or pay he is serving, and of the Manager.

Accommodation Allowance

No allowances are to be granted in the case of an officer

acting for another who is absent or leave carrying full salary.

In the case of an officer appointed govtt for another or
absent on leave, not carrying full salary, it will
be ~~provided~~ for the latter to receive 100/- monthly.

Provided that the fixed salary of the officer acting, when
increased by the amount of leave, shall not exceed the maximum
of the class to which he belongs and leave.

Provided also that the acting allowances granted shall not
exceed the amount deducted from the salary of the member.

made the Twenty third day of August, One thousand eight hundred and ninety eight, between Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs (herein after called "the Secretary of State"), acting through the Uganda Railway Committee (hereinafter called "the Committee") of the one part, and WILLIAM SWETTIS, in the county of of the other,

WHEREBY it is agreed by and between the parties hereunto as follows:-

1. The said JOHN WILLIAM SWETTIS (hereinafter called "the person engaged") is hereby selected for appointment as Assistant Traffic Superintendent in connection with the construction of the proposed Railway in British East Africa, or the construction of any other works in connection with the projected Railway or otherwise in British East Africa, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth.

2. The person engaged shall proceed to Mombasa when directed by the Committee, through the Managing Member, there to perform the duties of Assistant Traffic Superintendent for three years, or such period as may be necessary for the completion of the Railway or other works, the Secretary of State providing him with a free passage, First class, and (subject to clause 11) back again to England on the expiration of the Agreement, provided he leaves for England within a period of two months from the date of such expiration.

3. The duties of the person engaged shall include all work connected with the railway, or the construction or erection of other works, as well as any other suitable duties which the Secretary of State, through the Chief Engineer, shall call upon him to perform.

4. The person engaged shall, on arrival in Uganda, and during the time he shall continue in the service of the Committee, reside in such place and country where in such manner as the Chief Engineer shall direct.

free passage, first class, to England; provided that such return be claimed within two months; but if he shall resign his appointment from other cause before the expiration of time where he shall refund to the Secretary of State, or to the Committee, the amount paid for his passage to London, and shall not be entitled to a return passage to England.

11. If the person engaged shall at any time neglect or refuse, or from any cause arising out of his own default (unless excepted, as provided in clause 10.) become unable to conform or comply with all or any of the provisions of this Agreement, or any of the orders requiring of him, or all or any of the orders of the Secretary of State, through the Chief Engineer, or shall correspond, verbally or otherwise, directly or indirectly, in or about the affairs of His Majesty's Government, with any person not in the employment of Her Majesty's Government, or shall publish, directly or indirectly, any document or information of any kind respecting His Majesty's Government, or shall in any manner misconduct himself, of which the Chief Engineer shall be the judge inclusively, it shall be competent for the Secretary of State to declare his appointment null and void, and he shall be forthwith dismissed by the Secretary of State, and all rights, benefits, and advantages reserved to him by this Agreement shall cease, and he shall be liable to be called upon to repay the amount paid for his passage to London.

12. In the event of the Secretary of State becoming desirous of determining the engagement of the person engaged at any time, he shall be at liberty to do so on giving him three months' notice in writing (through the Chief Engineer), determinable at any period in the year, or by the Secretary of State giving him three months' full salary in lieu of notice, and in such case providing him

12. The services, first class, of Mr. T. E. Bowring,
subject to the Secretary of State, during
the period of one complete year, 1860-1861,
at a salary of £1000 per annum, to be paid in
quarterly instalments, or by monthly ~~monthly~~
bills to be drawn on the Secretary of State, shall be given by
the Government of British East Africa, on the part of the
British Government of Kenya, further efficient service
of British East Africa, and in case he shall be
sent home from Kenya, first class, to England,
all expenses of his passage to the territory of Kenya.

13. The person engaged, in the first and in
private permit, be granted the right to go
and return to the territories of the
Government of Kenya, and to remain
there, without impediment, for such
time as may be deemed expedient or
desirable.

14. At the expiration of this engagement, if no other
is provided, the Secretary of State shall have the
right of extending the appointment for such further
time as may be agreed upon, or, if mutually convenient,
the engagement of the person engaged may be made permanent
to completion of the work for which he is now engaged
following him on the fixed establishment of the Railway,
including regulation privileges as regards leave of ab-
sence and retiring allowances on his quitting the public
service until his service
under this Agreement shall count toward pension
and pension be allowed in the amount in force.

15. The Secretary of State shall account with the
Government of the person engaged, a sum of _____
_____, which shall be payable in England by the Crown
for the services to _____ the _____ of the
Government of Kenya, for the construction of the railway
will draw upon him by the Agent of the Railway in

favour.

The Members of the Committee shall not be in any way personally liable for anything arising out of this appointment.

Witness our hands the day and year above written,
Signed on behalf of the Secretary of State, by

(S/d) **EDWARD SWINERTON.**

Chairman of the Committee, as aforesaid, in presence
of (S/d) **C. STRATHY.**

Signed, on behalf of Secretary of State, by

(S/d) **E. L. O'GALEIGHAN**

Managing Member of the Committee, as aforesaid, in presence
of (S/d) **H. W. SWINERTON.**

Signed by **J. W. SWINERTON.**

presence of:-

Name. **A. E. O'GALEIGHAN.**

Address. **Wilindini.**

Occupation. **Traffic Manager.**