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With regard to the first part of my Hon. friend's question, he is aware from the Census which was given to him in the house on the 20th of February last that on the 11th of Jan. one of the Assistant

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District Commissioners of the Protectorate was attacked by natives at Nairi & wounded, that subsequently several clans in the neighborhood broke out in open revolt, & that two Indians & a native of Kooronds were murdered, & that it was necessary to send a small force to restore order during the operation a considerable number of cattle were captured with the carcasses;

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of which about one fourth were sold & the proceeds applied partly to meet the debt of the Nairi for the purchase of cattle stolen by the Nairi from the Nairi, & It was decided to restore the number of the cattle gradually as the population of the country proceeded. But it was considered that the fate of the Protectorate was quite satisfied in sending no more men, & only a detachment for road-making and development in the district extending to the Cape of Good Hope to add to the future prosperity of the tribe.

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On the 20th July The Secretary of State has no information regarding the matters referred to in the first two portions of my Hon. friend's question, but is calling for a report from the Governor. With regard to the last part of the question, he is aware from the Census which was given to him in the House on the 20th of February last that on the 11th of Jan. one of the Assistant District Commissioners of the Protectorate was attacked by natives at Nairi & wounded, that subsequently several clans in the neighborhood broke out in open revolt, & that two Indians & a native of Kooronds were murdered, & that it was necessary to send a small force to restore order during the operation a considerable number of cattle were captured with the carcasses; of which about one fourth were sold & the proceeds applied partly to meet the debt of the Nairi for the purchase of cattle stolen by the Nairi from the Nairi, & It was decided to restore the number of the cattle gradually as the population of the country proceeded. But it was considered that the fate of the Protectorate was quite satisfied in sending no more men, & only a detachment for road-making and development in the district extending to the Cape of Good Hope to add to the future prosperity of the tribe.

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I have the honor to
 transmit to you a copy
 of a question by Sir
 George Scott Robertson in
 the H. of Commons on the
 20th inst regarding alleged
 Compulsory native labour
 in the E. of Prot. together
 with a copy of the
 reply which was made

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The enclosed question.

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