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COLONIAL SURVEY

Meeting of the 5th of December, 1905

PRESENT :

Colonel R. C. Hellard, R.E. Director-General, Ordnance Survey; Major C. F. Close, C.M.G., R.E., Topographical Section, General Staff, War Office: Mr. H. J. Read, Colonial Office; and Captain W. S. Douglas, R.E., Topographical Section, and Secretaries. Mr W C Bestomley, Colonial Office,

RECONSTRUCTION OF LAND SEED SCREEN DECEMBER. PROTECTORATE

The Treasury letter of the 17th of November was read and considered the was agreed that no serious inconvenience would be caused by postponing the Decographical work for the present, especially as the progress, both of the oppographical and the cadastral work, must depend on that of the trigonometrical survey, but that a certain amount of topographical surveying was inseparable from a proper land settlement.

it was decided that the postponement of provision for a topographical section should be accepted, but that the Treasury should be informed that the expert members of the Committee held strong views as to the waste of money which would be involved if the topographical survey were postponed for four years, as the Freasury proposed, and that, therefore, the Secretary of State reserved the right to raise the question again next year, especially having regard to the improvement which appeared to be taking place in the finances of the Protectorate

It was decided that the work might safely be begun before the 1st of April, 1906, but that the discussion of details should be postponed until the arrival in England of Lieutenant Colonel Smith, RE, who would probably be recommended by the War Office for the Directorship of Surveys.

2. Lagos

The reply of the Acting Governor to the despatch of the 24th of August) was .ousiderec

The excellence of Mr. Cotton's work was recognized, but it was decided that a despatch should be sent asking that one of the maps sent out in August should be returned marked so as to show the areas which had been mapped on different scales, and that Mr Cotton should also be asked to state what maps he had drawn up and to send home any original drawings or plans in the possession of the Survey Department which would be of use for the preparation of a general map of the Colony

It was agreed that the question of the instruction to be given to Mr. Cotton in the country next year should be postpoped until after his arrival on leave

3. NORTHERN NIGERIA

Mr Wasace's despatch of the 282d of Septembert was read, but it was decided, as agreed at the previous meeting, to take no action until the return of Captain Ommanney in May next

4. BRITISH CENTRAL AFRICA

Mr Harris was upable to attend, the meeting, but it was mentioned that he was willing to raise the question of a trigonometrical, as well as of the mineral survey, in connection with the estimates for 1906-7, out that priority should be given to the latter, as recommended by Sir Alfred Sharpe. Mr. Harris had also expressed his epinion of the undesirability of appointing another Surveyor, proposed by Mr. Wallis, pending the re-organization of the Department

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It was agreed that arrangements should be made for Mr Fire's instruction at

Southampton.

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The Committee soled that Major Close's points were fixed for a temporal purpose only while he was pushing through the country in connexion with a Boundary Commission and could not be regarded as sufficiently exact to serve a framework for a deliberate survey.

S CANDIDATES FOR SURVEY APPOINTMENTS.

It was decided that testimonials from previous employers should, where possible to obtained on a form adapted from that which had already been prepared for reports on the qualifications of the officials of existing Survey Departments. A proof the proposed form was considered and approved.

It was pointed out, hawever, that few candidates in this country would be sat able except for cadastral work, and Chorel Hellerd mentioned that a large number men well qualified for this work would be available from the Ordinate Survey.

Major Close siluded to offers by the Appointments Commutees at Oxford at Cambridge to supply candidates and to arrange for any instruction which might considered necessary.

The case of Mr. Woodruff, who was invalided from Uganda, was discussed.

it was agreed that he might, subject to medical examination, be considered for turn

6. TRANSVAAL AND ORANGE RIVER COLONY

The questions of the survey of the southern part of the Transvaal and of the prision of free railway transport for the Colonial Survey Section now at work in Orange River Colony were discussed with Mr. Just.

7. GOLD COAST NATIVE NAMES: SPELLING.

Major Close drew attention to a report dated May, 1904, and it was agreed to enquiries should be made as to whether any more recent one had yet been received

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