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Attendance of Private Medical Practitioners in Government Offices.  
Suggestions for safeguarding.

Mr Butler  
Dagorette & Kyumbwa lie about 80-120 miles from Nairobi.  
With a deck such as is now proposed there is comparatively little danger of para 2 of the Desp. is taken seriously it might point to necessity of increasing the medical staff - unless of course it merely illustrates (b) of Mr. Reade's minute on pay reports, which however hardly seems a fair interpretation. 10 miles is a good distance. It would be cheaper to call on private practitioners at these 2 stations than

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to add another £200 to the medical  
head of the Estimates.

It should be included to approve temporarily  
ask for a <sup>Detailed</sup> statement at the end  
of 12 months showing claims  
made against the Govt for  
medical fees at D. and R.

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No. 568

My Lord,

In reply to Your Lordship's despatch No. 568 of the 18th ultimo I have the honour to state that in my opinion the privilege of allowing officers to call in private medical practitioners at Government expense could be safeguarded against abuse by confining it to certain specified stations.

At present there are only two which I would recommend, Dagoretti and Kyambu. They are sufficiently far from Nairobi to make it a possible matter of difficulty to obtain the services of a Government Medical Officer in urgent cases, and Dr Arthur of the Scottish Mission in the former and Dr Heard in the latter district could more easily be called in. Moreover the time of the Government doctors is so fully taken up by their work in the Hospitals and township of Nairobi that any measure which would relieve them of the necessity of visiting cases at a distance would be beneficial.

H. Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Whitehall Street,

London, E.C.

3. In the event of the United Methodist Free Church Mission placing a medical man at their proposed Mission in Meru I would recommend that this Station be included in the list, as it is several days march from the nearest Government Medical Officer.

I have the honour to be,  
Your Lordship's humble,  
obedient servant,



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Dr. Dr. P. Giraud

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Jackson's despatch of the 5th of the said month, & to inform you that as a temporary measure, I approve of private medical practitioners being called in to attend Government officers in the stations of Dargouthi and Kyaukse. I should be glad to receive at the end