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My Lord.

I have the honour to report that on January 30th 10,000 last . box containing ten thousand rupees, the property of his Majbety's Covernment, whilst being shipped on board the S.S. Sybil', fell into the water and was lost.

The spot was buoyed, but although every endsavour was made by the local authorities to recover the money, their efforts were unsuccessful. I therefore applied to the Uganda Protectorate and obtained the services of the S.S. William Mackinnon', and thanks to the exertions of Captain Sutchinson, R.N.R., and Mr.St. John Kneller, the Executive Engineer at Kisumu, who is an expert diver, the

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box was eventually salved. As the task of diving in the Lake and searching under four and a half feet of and was a dangerous one, I promised Mr. Kneller a house of forty pounds if he succeeded in recovering the specie.

- 2. I have now received a bill for one hundred and seventy six rupees for fuel supplied to the S.S.\*William Mackinnon", and I have the honour to request Your Lordship: sanction to charge this amount, together with the bonus to Mr.Kneller, to the vote for Provincial Administration Contingencies, Province of Kisumu.
- attending the loss of the specie, and I learn that

  Mr.Northcote, the Acting Collector at Karungu, who was
  engaged in collecting the hut tax of his district and
  was absent from his station at the time, had instructed
  the Clerk (the only other official at the station) to
  ship fifteen thousand rupees, which were packed in two
  boxes, by the next trip of the S.S. "Sybil" to Kisumi.

  The Clerk, without informing the Ship's Officers,
  endeavoured to put the money on board himself with the
  result that the heavier of the two boxes, weighting two
  hundred and ninety five pounds, fell into the water.

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was single handed, the but tax collection was in arrears, and as it is not considered safe to leave large sume of money in out stations, he was justified in sending the money to Kisumu. The Steam Ship authorities were unaware that the money was being shipped and cannot consequently be held responsible for the expenses incurred. As the Clerk, who is a very junior efficial drawing about ninety pounds a year, was only over zealous in the discharge of his duties, and has already been sufficiently punished by the fright he has had, I would crave Your Lordship's permission to write off the amount spent in recovering the specie in the manner suggested above.

4. In conclusion I would add that had we been able to
have an Assistant as well as a Collector at this Station
the box would in all probability never have been lost.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

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