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Colonel Thayer,
Mr. Fuller.

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I attach a map and have made some notes
as to where these places are to be
found. Without in the least wishing to
be alarmist; I think ^{this} information of
importance, and I think we should be
prepared for eventualities in Sulaland.
We have got small detachments isolated
at Moyale and Marsabit and it
would be folly to ignore the possibility

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of some reverse happening to them.
I will bring the whole matter up in
the course of a few few days on the
original Subland paper.

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Meanwhile, wait

Col. Seely
has news

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My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit herewith
for Your Lordship's information the latest
Intelligence Report received from the Abyssinian
Frontier.

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

R. Stewart
GOVERNOR.

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
THE EARL OF CREWE, F.G.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, S.W.

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INTELLIGENCE.

It is reported that in the event of Menelik's death that Fitaurari Apta Georges, Nagadaras Haida Georges, Itaiyeh Faitu the present Emperor's wife, and many other influential Abyssinians will refuse to acknowledge Yasus as Emperor. Yasus is said to be the son of Menelik's daughter, who married Ras Michael. Ras Michael was formerly a Mahomedan but became converted to the Christian faith before his marriage. The reason given for the Abyssinian objection to Yasus is that many of them believe that he is at heart a Mahomedan and will make Abyssinia into a Mahomedan country. Itaiyeh Faitu is not the grandmother of Yasus, whose mother is said to have been the daughter of Menelik by a former wife.

The Tigie instigated by Fitaurari Apta Georges, Nagadaras Haida Georges and Itaiyeh Faitu are reported to have risen in revolt against Wakshun Obata who was appointed Governor over them by Menelik; heavy losses are reported on both sides but the Tigie have been temporarily defeated and their leader Duduch Abraha captured.

Sd/- W.E.H. BARRETT
Asst. Dist. Commissioner.
~~Inspector in Charge~~

~~Southern Abyssinian Boundary.~~

Moyale,

January 23rd 1910.

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Menelek is reported to be dead.

The majority of Abyssinian troops in the Boran
are said to be hurrying up to Adis Ababa as fast
as possible to join Fitawari Apta Georges. It is
thought that if Menelek's reported death is true,
war will break out in Abyssinia.

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The inhabitants of 19 Gurreh villages have left British and entered Abyssinian Territory, as owing to Marehan raids, they do not consider their lives or property are safe under British Protection.

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The Marehan recently sent a large raiding party against the Gurreh at El wak. The Gurreh and Ajuran waiting against them, defeated this party, killing 25 of them. The Gurreh and Ajuran lost one man killed. Owing to lack of water at El wak the Gurreh have had to move most of their stock to Yagleh and Dadableh close to the Marehan country.

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of El wak*
The Marehan have attacked the Rer Afgab at Hidlich not far from Dole, raiding 100 camels and killing 17 men. The Marehan lost 19 men and 6 rifles.

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city*
As a result of the above raid the Rer Afgab from Italian territory have raided Dole, camping on the ground lately occupied by the Roma Trading Company for 8 days and waiting for the Marehan to attack them. No Marehan appearing, they recrossed the Juba at Hillishid taking with them large quantities of Guawen stock. The entire Guawen population fled to Lugh and Banesia leaving their stock behind them on hearing of the approach of the Rer Afgab.

The Lahsan from Italian Territory are reported to have attacked the Marehan. Aulihan are reported to have attacked the Marehan killing 7 of them and raiding 100 cattle and 60 camels. Yaben are reported to have appeared

a Watta between El Wak and Wajair.

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It is reported that Abdulahi Momo Iga has raided the country about 10 days east of Lugh, burning 9 villages, taking 180 men of the gurrah, Hebar and Barfait as slaves and capturing large quantities of stock. Abdulahi Momo Iga is the man who is said to have sent a letter to the Marhan a few months ago informing that the Kulluh had appointed him Governor of Jubaland and that he would shortly be coming down to war against the British Government.

On the 21st instant a party of 11 Abyssinian hunters hearing of my arrival back in the Boran from Marsabit left their camp at Hagar and recrossed into Abyssinian territory near Burreli. On the 25th instant a party of 40 Abyssinian hunters arrived at Marnkut. I went out after them with 16 rifles and followed them up for two days, eventually losing their track in thick bush. They robbed three sheep and a quantity of milk from villagers, but had no time to hunt.

They are reported to have re-entered Abyssinian territory. This report is confirmed by Atto Degu the Abyssinian official at Famok, who informed me today that he had heard they had entered his district.

Atto Degu informs me that the Emperor Menelik is not yet dead. In any case if he is not already dead his illness is hopeless and he is certain to die shortly.

Sd/- W. E. H. BARRETT
INSPECTOR IN CHARGE
Southern-Abyssinian Boundary.

Asst. Dist. Commissioner.

Koyale,

January 29th 1910.

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- Mr. Fiddes.
- Mr. Just.
- Mr. Cor.
- Sir C. Lucas.
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Col. Seely.
- Lord Crewe.

Sir,

I am directed by the
 E of Crewe to transmit
 to you, for the info. of
 Sect Sir E. Grey, the
 accompanying copy of a
 despatch from the Gov of the
 E.A.P. enclosing an intelligence
 report from the Abyssinian
 frontier

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(Signed) G. V. FIDDES.