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No.372.

With reference to your despatch No.173 of the 27th February, I have the honour to report as follows respecting a raid by Boran on a Rendili village.

- Last year several Rendili youths were promoted to the rank of 'Moran' or Warrior class and in order to carry out their custom of blooding their spears they committed eight murders among the Boran.
- 3. Two sections of Rendili had been living for some years in touch with the Boran and the latter accused these sections of committing the murders.
- 4. A deputation of Boran Elders then visited a village of one of the Rendili sections with a view to enquiring into the murders and effecting a settlement. During this visit further murders were committed and, by way of retaliation, the Boran went immediately home and collected a war party which raided the village in question.
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In his reply to your Question in the House of Commons on the 9th March, Mr. Harcourt informed you that further enquiry was being made as to the reports of raiding and counter-raiding between the Rendili and the Boran in East Africa. A despatch has now been received from the Governor of the Protectorate, the substance of which Mr. Harcour desires me to communicate to you.

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