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MATTERS OF MOMENT.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour," enjoins the ninth Commandment. Inevitably, gossip circulates to some extent in every community, and every community, but lately there has been in one of the East African territories a spate of malice, which has been spread alarmingly, and tended to bring the whole colony into disrepute. In view of the nature of the allegations, we have taken great pains to probe them. At first sight they appeared to be good grounds for much of the indignation of our many correspondents, but we have been drawn to the conclusion that many of the widely-circulated rumours were either baseless or greatly exaggerated. The residents in the Territory in question would do well to read once more about Mrs. Haukebee, who was known in Simla as The Stormy Petrel, who won the title at least five times, and was possessed of many devils of malice and mischief. If a new Kipling were to arise in the territory of which we write, his stories might make "Plain Tales" seem watery stuff, for these highly coloured tales are "all tales with the last bit out, and nothing but trouble." The denunciations which we have received do credit to the decent feeling of many people who, however, appear to have followed one another in hastily accepting as true what looked suspicious. The difficulty of inquiry was obvious, so much that gossip spreads, and in due time that it should be stopped. Please readers who hear it, will ask for proof of such statements, they will do their share to discourage their repetition. Some of us who have heard a sermon in which Hell was depicted as having to follow one's slanders in all their projects and failure at the suffering they caused, it was not a bad idea. Ultimately, no doubt, evil speakers liars and slanderers meet retribution, but meaning the innocent suffer, and the whole community in distress in this case, be despatched.

Progress initiated or spurred by adversity. Of that truth, the establishment of a Local Civil Service in Tanganyika Territory provides the latest example. Stewart Symes sent a dispatch on the subject to the Secretary of State just a year ago, and was now published. The then Governor, seriously impressed with the burden on the finances of the Territory imposed by the cost of an imported clerical service, felt that the present state of financial stress seemed to be opportune to introduce a project which would remove certain objectionable features in the present system, these being the dependence of locally domiciled persons from training subordinate employment in the public service, and the racial discrimination which separates the subordinate staff into two distinct services, Asiatic and African, in connexion with the first objectionable feature. The Governor pointed out that many Indians, who were permanently domiciled in the colony, and that of the 9,245 Indian males in the Territory, 3,851 were born in the Territory. Natives, as their education progressed, also naturally become increasingly capable of performing subordinate duties, and of taking their place in a Local Civil Service.

It is the main purpose to abolish the present racial distinction in terms of service between the Asiatic and the African, and to recruit locally domiciled persons of good character from the persons of good character with prescribed standards of education, and to be admitted in that African grades into the subordinate staff, but to specify the salaries for the subordinate and clerical staff are not likely to attract persons of European extraction.

although there would be no bar to their engagement if they possess the necessary qualifications and are willing to accept the terms offered. This is a genuine and a long negation of the colour bar, an earnest endeavor to make use of local talent, primarily African and Asiatic, in the field of Government employment, and a practical step towards relieving the territory of the heavy expense of a subordinate service recruited from overseas when the necessity for such recruitment has largely ceased.

It is to be noted with pleasure that Mr. Stewart Syme did not overlook the importance of uniformity, where possible, of conditions throughout the East African BEING KENYA services. He made the qualification East African, not Tanganyika domicile, but he recognised that in Kenya and in the Rhodesias, there is a tendency to give a Local Civil Service from among the European population, that Uganda with a long established educational system is relying in an increasing degree on the Native of the country to replace the imported staff, and that Nyasaland is making more use of the indigenous native staff. Tanganyika, sandwiched between the others, the present scheme was considered to be particularly suitable, and incapable of justifying their own experiments. (Incidentally, that should help to lay one of the Northern Rhodesian bogies about the more northerly East African States). For these reasons the Secretary of State has concurred in the adoption of these proposals. It may be surely be assumed that locally born European youths will find an initial salary of £20 per month a sufficient attraction to enter the public service, especially as there is no apparent bar to the really capable man being taken into the superior service. It has been talking of a Local Civil Service for years. Tanganyika without public discussion or official kite-flying, has established one.

Although conditions differ greatly in Mauritius from those prevailing in any part of East Africa, much can be learnt by reading between the lines of the Annual Report for 1932-33 of the Co-operative Credit Societies of Mauritius. Co-operative Societies, as advocated by Mr. S. S. Clark and others, may become an important part of the social and economic policy of the East African territories, and it would be foolish not to take advantage of the experience of our neighbour, which, despite the exaggerated position, has to confess that the establishment of abuses through inefficient legislation and ignorance will require considerable effort to eradicate. In the early days of the movement, doubtless through impatient zeal in pushing forward a good idea, the elementary principles of co-operation were to a large extent ignored with a resultant incursion of bad debts and incoherencies of compulsory liquidation. Stern and thorough overhauling has undoubtedly, and very creditably, improved the general state of affairs, but, and here lies the moral, the same could never have been so had had the start been better. Africa should take heed and make her start slowly, singly, and soundly.

There was when there was a wealth of literary journals in England; in the present restricted number the *Journal of African Studies* (number 1) holds a high place. Its review of Dr. Mair's book on 'An African People in the Twentieth Century' is really a leading article on the state of anthropology in our African problems. It provides a reasoned answer to the somewhat vociferous critics who denigrate anthropologists in general or account of their alleged errors in stabilising primitive people to local customs, and keep their museum specimens, and who reinforce their criticism in the opinion of investigators who have had but a few months residence in a country, or even to base their cases. The writer of the article replies that such critics fail to appreciate the absolute necessity of ascertaining the facts about a people's customs and manners, of obtaining insight into their attitude and causes before prescribing for them wholesale, as was done in the way of administrators and missionaries, or of legislating on an insufficient basis of understanding, an error which has created some well-meant attempts at indirect rule. As a word, some of the very faults at which the critics are unceasingly baying in due to the lack of applied anthropology in the past, yet many men in Africa turn their scorn upon the science that is providing the remedy.

The second point is that the critics refuse to believe that in a period as short as nine months anyone can hope to be able to acquire such knowledge as makes his, or her, contribution of real value. The writer's views are reiterated that the International Institute of African Languages and Cultures, which has sponsored many of these researches, chooses young and energetic anthropologists, fully qualified by natural aptitude and scientific training to conduct such inquiries, and further, that the preliminary training now available at the London School of Economics fits such investigators to attack the problems without lack of time. Dr. Mair, for instance, dispensed with an interpreter after a month in Uganda, whereas many men and women who live in that country for half their lives fail to achieve similar fluency in the vernacular. A fully qualified doctor, with an intimate knowledge of the patient's life history, is obviously the ideal in case of need, other things being equal, but a perfectly strange doctor is better qualified to make a correct diagnosis than a life-long layman friend without training. The ideal of African inquiry will be nearer realisation when all District officers, educationists, missionaries, and indeed, all whose work brings them in close contact with Natives, attend such anthropological courses when the need home or leave. Thus, though scientific knowledge and lengthy association be blended, knowledge among the Natives does not, by itself, presume a knowledge of them. Anthropologists should not claim infallibility, but some of their most serious critics, despite their residence in African territories, are to be feared, as being ignorant of much that concerns the native races.

Certainly, a local paper published in Kenya and Tanganyika has such well-informed news as East Africa writes a sub-editor in Tanganyika.

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"Another remarkable character was Major De Jaager, who was attached for some months to a South African Regiment as a Native interpreter. De Jaager, who had fought against us in 1920, had a jaw like the ram of a battleship. He could not speak much English; in fact, the only two words of his I remember are "Push on, Push on."

"When we reached Arusha, where the Germans had just vacated, we helped ourselves to all sorts of necessary things, from saucers to nails and sheets of corrugated iron. Then we stalked a German woman, followed by a string of porters. She saw a man with a cooking pot. "Was ist mein," she asked, and, turning to a boy, ordered "Kamata hi." Thus she swept through the camp, retrieving all looted property. We bathed, saw a white woman for about seven months, and everyone was amused and came out to watch in the fun. Finally she reached the Adjutant, diplomatically, she offered her tea. So she sat down with the officers. When tea was finished, she jumped up, and, jumping to the cane chair on which she had been sitting, ordered a boy to "Kamata hi." Later we discovered that the lady was thoroughly unpopular with her neighbours, and that none of the property thus retrieved was actually hers.

TWO COMMANDERS-IN-CHIEF

"I was for some time in touch with the Boer General De Venter, a remarkable man to fit a 4 or 5 ft. 6 in. frame. His English speaking apparatus during the Boer War, he had a formidable voice. He had a curious way of working; he had his maps, I often made careful plans, and positions he had scouted, but they indicated that he would be always demanded to see the position from an elevation, and proceeded to throw out a number of "heads," his favorite term for in different directions.

"One of the best jokes of the Campaign was made by General Smuts, the then C-in-C. He made a mistake when the horses died in thousands in the Beets and the South African troops were being sent back out of the country, many of them overtaken with malaria, leaving the Campaign to be carried on mainly by the K.A.F. That was the time, and it was not till the war in East Africa was finished, and that only a small number of Germans remained to be rounded up. Really the work of the Campaign was still to come.

"Von Lettow, the German commander, then a Colonel, did not until the Armistice in Ethiopia. Then he had penetrated into Northern Rhodesia, where he had about a hundred Europeans and a thousand Natives left. At the time Von Lettow was brought to Dar es Salaam we had eighty-three colonels in that town alone, and twice as many cars as the German command numbered in men. I remember seeing his walk on the steps of the Casino

house at the top, looking muddy, zoned, and then enter. "No doubt he thought, 'Well, I've kept his little lot quite busy.' Von Lettow must have seen something humorous in that Campaign if nobody else did." (Loud applause.)

"Major Clement Hirtzel, O.B.E., the first officer commissioned in the East Africa Campaign during the War, said that on August 10, 1915, the 1st Naitobi in a train on which was a wagon containing a large amount of dynamite, petrol, and other stores, took a steep gradient at terrifying speed and overturned at the bottom, the dangerous load, which was only a few feet from the edge of the cliff, did not leave the wagon, and the driver was only a few feet from the edge of the cliff. A line of telegraph wires had been hung across the forest trees for about twenty miles. (Coffins dragged it down one night, and a rhino caught it in his horn and left it two miles away in the bush. Major Hirtzel dragged it back by tying the wire to the back axle of his car. His Pioneer built what was literally a racing track from Voi to Maktou. Then shortage of petrol caused the authorities to send ox-wagons to the district. They quickly cut the road to ribbons, and the oxen died from tsetse.

COLONEL REITZ AS PARLEMENTAIRE.

"I am one of the Boers who fought against the British in South Africa," began a member of the audience. "One day during the First Boer Campaign I was mainly occupied with General Buller. It was after the fighting at Kisaki where both we and the Germans suffered heavily. We asked permission to collect the wounded, and Colonel Reitz went out with a white flag. In 'Trekking On' he tells how badly he was treated by the enemy. Reitz came back, very hot and angry, and told General Buller that the Germans were frightfully rude, and the less we see of such people the better. When we go out under the white flag we are accustomed to meeting gentlemen." The only other time he had gone out under the white flag was to the British lines in the Boer War. "Mr. S. S. Murray recalled that at the outbreak of war the Nyasaland administrative officer at Katonga, near the German border, wired his Government for instructions. It was only a one-man station, and he was naturally nervous. The reply was: "Burn Government records and your books and retire in good order." Zambia believes that the householders on whom transport officers were selected invariably had the best table at dinner. One officer who had been somewhat remiss in the distribution of certain goods which had passed through his hands, was ordered to produce certain records next day. "In some times happens in war, a lie occurs, what night."

"In view of certain misstatements, Mr. Tolson gave an account of the Battle of Tanga as gleaned from the official British and German records, and personally from many officers and men, British, Indian and German, who had taken part in it.

R. S. A. Police Dinner.

Regimental Association formed in London.

A successful dinner, which was held at the Grosvenor Hotel, London, when the R. S. A. Police Regimental Association (United Kingdom) was formed, with General Sir A. H. M. Edwards as first President and Lieutenant Colonel Colin Harding, who presided as first Chairman. A good young committee was also elected.

At the dinner Major General Sir Edward Northey, replying for the guests, stated that when he assumed his command in German East, by only orders were given. "You will secure the borders of Rhodesia and Nyasaland," and he very soon decided that the best way to obey was to drive the Germans away from the borders, which with the help of the Rhodesians he succeeded in doing. "I hope you shall never have another war," he concluded, "but if we do I would never ask for better men than the Rhodesians I commanded."

Lieutenant Colonel H. Marshall Hale, who proposed "The Corps," said that he had presumably been chosen for the toast, because he had been in Rhodesia before there were any police, and had been in close touch with them ever since. He recalled that

the guests that in 1885 Warren's expedition was sent into Stalland (Bechuanaland), and that Major T. J. May, who was with them that night, was a member of it. In 1888, Sir Sydney Sheppard sent sixteen men to the Bechuanaland Border Police under Colonel Gans, with Billy Bogle as senior P.O., into what is now Rhodesia, and these were the first police to enter it. After them came the old B.S.A. Cossack Police, some of the most splendid men I ever met. Bogle was chosen by Cecil Rhodes to be their first regimental, and he rose to command the corps.

Major T. J. May proposed the Chairman's health, which was enthusiastically honoured. In reply, Colonel Harding said that he would like to see the men of the B.S.A. Police in uniform in administrative posts. Police work should not be a blind alley. Major A. R. Bore, the Hon. Secretary, spoke about the objects and proposed constitution of the new Association.

Among those present in addition to those already named were recognised, Colonel Stennett, Major Sillitoe, Colonel McCarthy, Mr. Holy-Hughes, Mr. B. F. Wright, Sir Johnstone, Mr. Mackenzie-Kennedy, Mr. A. L. Pennell, and Mr. E. H. Melland. Among those who were unavoidably absent were Major James, Captain Gussars, Captain Castle,

"EAST AFRICA'S" BOOKSHELF.

South and West.

An Explorer on Exploration.

Sir Percy Sykes's Masterly Work.

As an explorer he revolutionised the map of Africa, and opened an epoch for which the whole world is in his debt. Equally great were his services to humanity. He took to the abolition of slavery as the successor of Wilberforce and Buxton, and became the first instrument of its execution in India. Finally his utter fearlessness, his complete devotion to the highest ideas, and his amazing insight into the Native mind, mark him out as a model to explorers and an inspiration to mankind.

These words, which serve as a clue to his style, Sir Percy Sykes himself, in a Medal of the Royal Geographical Society, sums up in a few lines. In his greatest of African exploits, in his book "A History of Exploration" (Routledge, 25s.). If that title conjures up a vision of a Christian, let that book for boys, banish the thought. It is a splendid gift for anyone, but it is so much more than that.

No mere collection of the salient points in exploration from the facile pen of a popular writer, this is the history of exploration by one who is himself explorer and geographer, as well as a man of letters. It has the hall-mark of authority, and besides its literary achievement worthy of the heroic deeds it chronicles. Because of his standing the author has been allowed to draw from such books as "Arabia Felix" by Varthema, "Cape of the Lost Oasis" and other sources. Famous authorities have lent him their aid.

Exploring started Sir Percy Sykes early in life, and it was from Sir Samuel Baker that he got his first infection as a boy of ten. (It may be forgotten a personal note, mine, came from the same source, at Highweek, at about the same age.)

Sir Percy ranges the whole world from the earliest days to the present time. In our particular East African sphere he gives us, I think, Mr. Robert Moffat, Andersson, Oswell, Selous, James Bruce, Reibmann, Buxton, Speke, Grant, Baker, Stanley, a band of explorers whose greatness has seldom, if ever, been surpassed. Their achievements add lustre to the Victorian age. Among their successors he writes of Wood, Cameron, Johnston, Sharpe, Macdonald, Mackinder, F. H. Newell and Mumm, and the Duke of the Abruzzi. "We sinned grievously in Africa," but, thanks to our great explorers and administrators, we have atoned for our sin.

This book, beautifully produced, well mapped, illustrated and indexed, is a fine testimony to this great heritage of our race, and, in particular, the heritage of those who laboured in the lands that these explorers disclosed to an incredulous world. It should be an inspiration to us to make that atonement complete, to give us from unworldliness, and to enable us to fulfil the duty Africa has laid upon us. F. H. Mills.

For Those on Pension.

Some time ago we reviewed very favourably "How to Live in England on a Pension." Now we welcome a new, enlarged and up-to-date edition. The book can be recommended to the many East Africans who have retired or been retrenched and who contemplate settlement in England. They will certainly not regret investing a few shillings in this very useful and practical volume, which is available from Messrs. at 11 Mansfield Chambers, 11 Queen Victoria Street, London, E.C. 4.

An Epic of the Band and Another Book.

Nor only the many brave Africans who have links with the South, but also who can appreciate a great story painted by the sure brush of an artist, will enjoy the Norman Miles's masterpiece, one of the "Band." "The Rides of White Waters" (Collins, 7s. 6d.) is the historical novel at its best. What a model it offers to some East African! It holds the reader spell-bound by its human interest, besides giving a living and remarkably sympathetic picture of the rise of the Union of the South Africa Republic. The author combines the ability to tell a tale with great insight into the minds of the "wild Boers," and those to whom his story slowly unfolds, as well as with the knowledge of the South Africa Victoria. All the great names, Kruger, Milne, Rhodes, appear, and the story is a fine one. Both the "Smiles" and the "Revelation" are the main characters in the story. (Gordon, Adam, Deborah, Avriel, and, above all, Mavis, are neat flesh and blood, and the picture of life at Graskop is wonderfully vivid.)

There is also a great lesson in the book. It shows clearly how Kruger, with his fallacious ideas, and his innate vision, lost the chance to keep his republic by his failure to co-operate with the neighbouring strong and patient Boers, and the Boers, in their policy of strategic controlling the Union of South Africa, he saved from a like mistake with the Native Races within their borders. In time, we in East Africa also learn true co-operation while there is yet time.

This book is more than a story, reading for its own sake, but its real value goes deeper. That is why it will take its place as one of the few great African novels that the "Review" has surely not used before.

Mr. Arthur Mills's new novel, "The Ash Heap" (Stebbins, 2s. 6d.) lacks all these qualities. It has been advertised by the publishers as being "a tale of East Africa," but, for a story of this sort, it is a West African story, and though fully sulphurous, it is such an unpleasant picture that I hope for West Africa's sake that it is as inaccurate as the rest of the book. There is a grotesque misrepresentation of the methods of selection of cadets for the Colonial Service, and Mr. Mills might have spared a reference to Massey's College, Oxford, or such an anachronism as a British officer of the present day, coming out to join his regiment at the Cape Colony, as never slovenly. Mr. Mills fails utterly to carry the unnecessary weight which is given himself. KIBOKO.

It is a sad thing to find a man of the nineteenth century who has proved himself of enduring value through the Suez Canal. This claim is made by Sir Arnold Wilson's new book "The Canal and Its Past, Present and Future" (Oxford University Press, 15s.). It would be a bold man who would contradict it.

The historic and economic sections are probably the most valuable, but the part that will appeal most to East Africans is the section on the Canal. The author shows that since the Company has never paid a dividend less than 27% and has paid a maximum of 42%. The dividend has been reduced but not in proportion to the profit, and are even now 33% higher than those of the Panama Canal. Sir Arnold Wilson says the objection which he has made elsewhere that the British shares should be divided in blocks, so that their collective value on the British shareholders could be concentrated in the operating company.

Health in Tropical Africa.

"EAST AFRICA'S"

WHO'S WHO

Colonel S. P. James' Broadcast Talk.

195. Mr. Arthur Frederick Major Crisp.

MANKIND already knows all the theoretical principles requisite for avoiding malaria, blackwater fever, enteric fever and dysentery, and is quickly learning how to apply them.

As regards yellow fever, of all diseases the most dreaded, it was discovered a few years ago that when the causative virus, if passed through guinea pigs and by successive inoculation through a large number of white mice, becomes so modified that it can be safely used to immunize human beings. This protective vaccination against yellow fever has already been twice applied in London to more than 100,000 persons before their departure for West Africa and is doing almost more than any other recent discovery to make the sea safe for the white man.

The discovery that malarial remedies more effective than quinine can be manufactured synthetically in the laboratory is of importance in connection with the fact that malaria is contracted by the bites of mosquitoes. One of these synthetic products, piperin, has already removed much of the fear which attaches to malarial malaria and blackwater fever in Africa, and it is probable that it will prove useful for preventive as well as for curative purposes.

Apart from malaria and yellow fever, natives in Tropical Africa are afflicted with such epidemic diseases as yaws, plague, smallpox, sleeping fever, sleeping sickness and typhus from which Europeans living in these countries are usually free. In Uganda an epidemic of sleeping sickness has already have carried off one-tenth of the population, and only the sleeping fever to have caused 120,000 deaths and an epidemic of plague 5,000 deaths.

Due regard to Local Prejudices.

In general, the Natives are poor, illiterate, and almost entirely without means. Their huts, beds, tables, and other articles are chronically undernourished and infested with insects and other parasites and diseases. Many of the inhabitants of some regions can never have known what healthy means. Moreover, their whole life is ruled by fears and superstitions and they do not gain confidence and co-operation in health work unless it must be taken into account their strange beliefs and local customs. Therefore any system of safe and effective and promoting their health must be adapted to their circumstances.

The Natives appreciate a medicine which does not with a very short time. In Uganda, for example, a disfiguring disease called yaws is exceedingly prevalent, and the Natives have no remedy for it. So it was felt that a good method of gaining the confidence of the people would be to treat some cases of yaws by intravenous injections of a certain medicine, which does not cause a fever, but only a morning sickness. Medical men are found on his doorsteps, an old woman who had the disease in a severe form. He took her to the hospital, and, with some difficulty gave her a dose of salvarsan intravenously. It cured her within a very few days. The treatment by intravenous injections quickly became so popular that it was difficult to cope with the numbers of patients, and the Natives themselves took an active part in the establishment of dispensaries. Equal success has been achieved by a Director of Medical Services in Kenya, who cured some thousands of cattle to show a certain medical effect in a district.

In looking for the health and general welfare of uncivilized peoples, it is hardly ever possible to draw a distinction between measures which are curative and measures which are preventive. As a rule, a Native has to be convinced that some immediate material benefit will result before he can be induced to accept the simplest preventive measures. For example, it is a question of clearing away the domestic refuse, of swamping all the water in the house, of securing food, of getting rid of the animals which are a domestic nuisance, of getting an animal to graze in a certain place, of that he is a better price for his milk and butter. It is only by showing him that he can convince him that he will get a better price for his milk and butter.



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It was in 1913 that Mr. A. F. M. Crisp first went to East Africa. On the formation of The African Metropolitan Company, Limited, in 1915, he joined the staff as manager of the Zanzibar Branch, and within eight years he had gained such a measure of confidence from his superiors that he was appointed General Manager of the Company in East Africa, with headquarters at Mombasa. Now there are three branches under his control in Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika and Zanzibar, and he has made a practice of paying frequent visits to them, thus keeping the closest personal touch with development in all the territories. In 1920 Mr. Crisp was appointed to the Board of the Company. He is a Past President of the Zanzibar Chamber of Commerce and of the Mombasa Branch of the Royal Society of St. George, and is President for 1924 of the Mombasa Chamber of Commerce. He has been a member of the Mombasa Harbour Advisory Board almost since its establishment, and at the inception of the Mombasa Municipal Board was a member for a short period, and has on several occasions been a delegate to the Association of Chambers of Commerce of East Africa. He is an enthusiastic lover of sports and has a keen sense of humour, and is an opportunity of championing the cause of sports in East Africa.

They are indebted to Colonel James for the...
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PERSONALIA

Mr. G. F. Scattergood, who has arrived home from Nigeria, is staying in Leicester.

Mr. R. H. Eoa, Deputy Chairman of Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.), and Mrs. Eoa are visiting South Africa.

Mr. Charles Nicoll, executive director and former general manager of the National Bank of India, has passed away.

Miss Smythe, headmistress of the Gayaza Girls School, Uganda, is shortly retiring after twenty-five years' service.

Sir Donald Cameron, formerly Governor of Tanganyika Territory, reached Bulawayo on Monday from Nigeria.

Mr. D. E. B. ... Government Designate of British North Borneo, and Mrs. Jardine have arrived in England from Tanganyika.

Lady Archer, wife of Sir Geoffrey Archer, addressed the Steyning Women's Institute last week on the peoples of Africa.

Mr. F. Johnson, Secretary of the Inter-Territorial Language Committee in Tanganyika, is shortly expected to arrive home on leave.

Mr. Peter Baden Powell, son of Lord and Lady Baden Powell, has left to take up a Government appointment in Southern Rhodesia.

Major L. M. H. Handley, M.C., who has travelled extensively in East Africa, last week gave a lecture entitled "Hunter's Moon" in Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hunt and Mrs. Nicholson are outward bound for Mombasa by the Messageries Maritimes vessel "Leconte de Lisle."

Sir Edward Grigg last week addressed a London meeting of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations on "Dictatorships."

The Rev. E. B. Bull is Principal of the new Buwalasi College at Mount Elgon, the formal opening of which we chronicled last week.

Admiral C. L. Napier, C.B., who died in France last week, served with the Naval Brigade attached to the Gordon Relief Expeditions of 1884-1885.

Mr. H. C. Baxter and Mr. C. H. Gormley, Assistant District Officers in Tanganyika, have been transferred to Mbulu and Kasuu respectively.

Mr. A. C. Grandison, publicity manager of the Union-Castle Line, and Mrs. Grandison have arrived home from their tour of East and South Africa.

Major R. E. Fitzgerald, London manager of Rhodesia Railways, has left England for the Cape, en route to attend the Rhodesian Railway Conference.

The Rev. B. P. Walker, of East Grinstead, who was formerly a W.M.F.A. missionary in New Zealand, is leaving for Central Africa very shortly to rejoin the mission staff.

Mr. C. E. ... has been elected chairman of the Thomson's Joint Settlers' Association, with Captain A. ... as Vice-Chairman, and Mr. ... as Hon. Secretary.

Mr. H. G. Hoey, deputy general manager of the Standard Bank of South Africa in Pretoria, who is well known to many East Africans, is on his way to this country on long leave.

Sir Richard Rankine, British Resident in Zanzibar, and Lady Rankine are on their way home to the Cape by the ... and are due to reach Southampton on April ...

Mr. Justice ... formerly a Resident Magistrate in Tanganyika, left Liverpool last week for Nigeria to take up his appointment as Assistant Judge of the High Court.

Mr. Harry Miles, chief engineer of the Warwick Castle, has retired. He has served on Union-Castle vessels since 1891, and two years ago was appointed commodore and chief engineer.

Captain Peter MacDonal, M.P., who he frequently raised matters of East African interest in Parliament, and who has recently returned from a visit to South Africa, underwent an operation last week.

Sir Theodore ... Chairman of the Uganda Chamber of Commerce, is henceforth to represent the Uganda Chamber of Commerce on the Executive Council of the East African Board, in place of Mr. ...

Mr. J. Lewis, son of Mr. V. Lewis, of ... Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, has been elected to a Rhodesia scholarship. This is the first instance of father and son both entering the same University as Rhodes Scholars.

Sir Montague Barlow, Chairman of the British Central Africa Company, and a former Minister of Labour, and Miss ... in New Zealand last week to Miss Doris ... late Deputy Administrator of the Women's Royal Air Force.

Major General H. J. ... who served in the Sudan from 1900 to 1930, has been promoted to the rank of Major General and is now a Member of the Privy Council and a Member of the Order of the British Empire.

Mr. ... has been expelled from Greece, and reported to be making for Tibur in a specially chartered vessel. His destination was believed to be Ethiopia, which has, however, intimated that he will be refused admission.

Mr. A. ... British Vice Consul in Lobito, who is known by many of our readers, particularly those in Southern Rhodesia, left England on Saturday to rejoin his post. A few days after his arrival he will have the honour of entertaining

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Lawlessness in Kenya.

Crime and Punishment.

To the Editor of "East Africa."

Sir.—In spite of the vigorous efforts to suppress crime of Mr. Douglas Brumby, the District Commissioner now in charge of the Lumbwa area, we relieved Mr. Tomkinson when he went on leave, and leaving the district in the condition already described in your pages, there have been several recent cases of Native crime.

(1) On or about January 20, at night Lumbwa Natives forced an entrance into the house of a European employed by Mr. L. Pakenham Walsh. They entered the house and slept in their huts. The Natives kept their hands and feet in their huts. The Natives were awakened by her husband's blood spouting over her, and screamed bringing to her assistance other Native employees of Mr. Pakenham Walsh, who were in the immediate vicinity. The Natives then abandoned their shot and coats, and escaped. No arrests have, I think, been made.

(2) At 10 p.m. on February 3, on the boundary of the Dundas and Indira, Valabai Pitabel, of his way from the Kisumu Reserve to his house at the Sofik Post trading centre, in the Lumbwa Reserve, was attacked by a Lumbwa, armed with a spear and a knife of iron in his hand, and certain other Natives. Mr. Paterson telephoned the Police at Embayasi, also to the Asst. Supt. of Police at Lumbwa, and sent the Asst. Supt. Chemakel to come over to investigate early on Sunday morning, February 12. The Native police did not report to Mr. Paterson, and that is the last he has heard of the matter.

(3) On February 14 at 11.30 p.m. the shop of an Indian, Mr. Maridas Chaganai, in Kipsonoi trading centre in the Lumbwa Reserve, and within 20 miles of Mr. L. Pakenham Walsh's estate (see para. 1), was burgled by a gang of Lumbwa armed with a Jeffreys rifle, a 12 bore shot gun, and a 22 bore rifle. The Natives were shot and the information given to me comes from Mr. Maridas Chaganai himself. At 11.30 p.m., clear night, no moon. Two Native night watchmen on duty outside the shop. They heard a noise on the veranda as of donkeys. They called out to night watchmen asking the cause of noise; night watchmen replied everything O.K. More noise on veranda. Night watchman was told to drive off donkeys. He replied: "No donkeys here." Then there were no rifle shots. On asking night watchmen cause of shots, no reply was given. Indians attempted to telephone Police at Chemakel, but found telephone wires cut. As Indians were armed with shotguns and shot gun, they fired through the galvanised corrugated walls of shop, but about 20 shots. The robbers outside fired off about 15 shots. No one was hit. In the meantime some of the burglars climbed on to the corrugated iron roof and, using Smith's shears, cut their way into the shop. The Indians, getting to their living quarters, burglars then entered shop and broke into a safe with a crowbar, taking \$100 in cash

and notes, and goods to the value of about £200 in blankets, cotton cloth goods, and cigarettes. Early the following morning the District Commissioner and Police arrived on the scene to investigate, but so far as I know there have been no arrests yet. The above account more or less agrees with reports in the local press, except that the Police give the number of burglars as fifteen, whilst Mr. Maridas estimates them at thirty. This latter estimate is much more likely to be correct, as fifteen Natives could hardly carry away 2,000 lbs. worth of blankets, cotton cloth goods, and cigarettes. The cheapest and most common sold native blanket weighs approximately 1 lb. (costing 2s.) cigarettes (King Stork) are bulky, costing 6s. per 500, and the cotton cloth goods are generally in pieces of 30 yards weighing, say, 10 lb. I can hardly imagine fifteen Lumbwa carrying away possibly 15 cwt.

The Police report as published in the Press, makes no mention of the fact that the Nyirra Section of the Kenya Defence Force was holding its annual camp within a few miles of the scene of the crime. They were about 100 Europeans, both Europeans and Indians and infantry, and I am sure that the holding of the Kenya Defence Force in the Nyirra camp last year was intended as a demonstration by Government to show the Lumbwa that African law could be mastered in force after a few days' notice, such as the Nyirra camp. It has since more or less been forgotten.

(4) On the night of February 15, Natives cut the telephone wires leading to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mayers, Mutirakwa Estate, and within a few miles of the raid on Mr. Haridas and the Defence Force Camp. Mr. Mayers was away being his training at the Camp, and only a woman, the homestead, Mrs. Mayers, and a guard, which was supplied. Shortly before 11 p.m. a guard, which was supplied. Shortly before 11 p.m. Mrs. Mayers had a robbery of a lot of her money. My informant for the above is Mrs. Mayers, who says Mr. A. G. Day, of Akiba Estate, formed me that about a fortnight ago his concrete and corrugated iron power house for pumping water up to his coffee factory was burgled and a quantity of lubricating oil stolen. The Lumbwa use this coffee factory as a few months ago they own coffee factory was burgled for the same purpose. No arrests have been made in either case.

(5) On the night of Sunday, February 19, a working ox valued at 100s. was stolen from my cattle kraal. The tracks of the ox were traced into Lumbwa Reserve. The Police are now investigating, but it is very doubtful if the thieves will ever be traced, as they probably will eat the ox. Although the Lumbwa have thousands of cattle, sheep, and goats, and they apparently think stolen meat tastes much better.

It is not only in the Lumbwa district that Native lawlessness is rampant. The Colonial Secretary of Kenya informed the Legislature recently that he was considering a question by Lord Francis Scott that it was not considered that the appointment of a committee to inquire into the increase of crime would serve any useful purpose, and that a case had not been made out for an immediate increase in the Police Force.

The next portion of the report which the world expects is that it would mean an inquiry into the administration of Native law, a movement of which the Colonial Secretary himself is the executive head, and that of his junior officials, an inquiry which, if conducted by an competent and impartial Commission, could not possibly be in favour of the Native Administration. The second portion of the report is that the Government appears to have no intention of increasing the Police Force.

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A N. Rhodesian Debate.

Points from the Official Report.

To the Editor of "East Africa."

Sir, On December 28 you published an attack made by the Chief Secretary—who has since resigned—just before the close of the November-December session of the Legislative Council on Mr. I. J. Moore. The following extracts from the official report of the sessions proceedings, published a few days ago by the Government Printer, throw light on that attack, for they state the episode which initiated the exchange of letters to it.

Mr. Moore (during debate on the Livingstone and Eastern Electoral Areas) I was asked by the Council whether or not elected members are at all times entitled to information concerning the financial statements.

I received a copy of the Government Gazette. I did not understand certain items in it, and I went to the officer who had signed the statement, that is to say the Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of Revenue and Expenditure for a period, and asked for an explanation. I was told that I was not entitled to such information. I had hoped that some move would be made to repair what I felt was at least a temporary and possibly a mistake. Nothing was done.

Mr. Morris (Member for the Northern Electoral Area) As to the merits of the case for members receiving information concerning gazetted financial statements, it seems to me to admit of no doubt, and even now I cannot see just how the matter which has been raised can be justified. Having in mind the fact that my hon. colleague, Mr. Morris, in the particular gazetted financial statement in which the argument originated, actually disclosed an error, and of most considerable importance, it has been pointed out that Government measures which have come before us this session, that his case is only strengthened thereby. It is doubly entitled to credit that the close study of published financial statements should have been such as to disclose this error.

Livingstone and Eastern Electoral Areas. Yours faithfully,
Northern Rhodesia.

Tribute to Major Mervyn Ridley

"A Field Day" for sheep owners was recently held at Major Mervyn Ridley's farm at Moyben. Farmers from the surrounding areas were taking a keen interest in the darning industry attended and took part in discussions conducted by several Government officials and experts. Major Ridley is one of the outstanding stock farmers in this Province, and he has imported superior foodstuffs. Crossing these sires with the finest of Native cows will bring the last few years' production of magnificent beef and beasts. This is the practical demonstration of what is at present available in the East of Kenya. Major and Mrs. Ridley have both set a fine example in their area. From a leading Northern Rhodesian journal.

East Africa gains in weight-weightiness, I suppose, better word-impotence and value worth by mouth. From a leading Northern Rhodesian journal.

Police. That is most unfair. The Colonial Secretary must be aware that in Police Force, however large or efficient, can deal with Native criminals in country districts (this does not refer to towns), if administrative officials do not keep the natives in the Reserve in order.

Further, frequently when cases are brought to the subordinate courts the sentences given are altogether inadequate to the crime. For instance, a burglary or theft of a few shillings or a European would get several years, involves for a Native a sentence of only a few months. It is to be regretted in some instances that the administrative officials who are of stronger fibre, and in their capacity as magistrates give more adequate sentences frequently have their judgments reduced or quashed by the Supreme Court. Surely, an administrative officer who is in constant contact with the Natives, and more or less conversant with their mentality, is in a far better position to give what sentence to give than a Supreme Court judge, perhaps straight out from England, or, if he has been in the colony for some time, only come into contact with the Natives through servants. It is not to be expected that Supreme Court judges will have any knowledge of a integrity that merely upon their knowledge of native customs and mentalities.

Take a concrete case. In 1929 or 1930 two Europeans decided to rob another Native of his goats and sheep. The Native to be robbed was a woman employed by Captain Hallard Frank, a coffee planter whose estate was situated in the district of Samburu. One night the two robbers approached the hut and stock kraal of the Sukuma. One stood outside with his spear, while the other broke into the kraal, whilst taking the sheep and goats he was attacked by the owner of the kraal. The robber got the worst of the fight and in an effort to call on his friend for assistance, the Sukuma followed him up with a spear. A lethal weapon attempting to capture him. The robber sought to resist, and in the process of escaping and in the process of escaping he was speared through the Sukuma, and in the process of escaping he was speared through the Sukuma, and in the process of escaping he was speared through the Sukuma.

The Police, who were the assistants of Captain Hallard Frank, with a few exceptions, tried both the wounded robber and his friend, the murderer. They were both tried at Kisumu. The wounded robber was discharged, the prosecution had charged him with a woman section of the Penal Code. The murderer, an old man, had been condemned to death. He appealed, but the appeal was refused for Eastern Africa. As his friends had refused to put up any money for the appeal, the Government appointed him a public defender, free of charge. He appealed Court where the appeal on technical grounds and released the murderer. I believe the technical point was (I am not sure of the correction) "The murdered man had every right to defend his property, but he had no right to assault the robber with intent to capture him, whilst he had murdered him had a lethal weapon in his hand."

What happened? The murderer turned up here one day, much to the surprise of everyone. This gave the Natives a very good idea of the law, as naturally they could not understand the technical point. The appeal was refused by the Government. The appeal was refused by the Government. The appeal was refused by the Government.

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Kenya—Land of Surprises.

At the Imperial Institute last week Mr. Evans, a former coffee estate manager from Kamuli, spoke of his excavations and discoveries in disused Native huts near his Kenya estate. The lectures entitled "Kenya: Her Capesmen and Her Gold" was illustrated with slides, which showed prehistoric wall drawings and hunting implements.

Particularly interesting were the photographs of Kakamega. The future of gold is in the blood of all colonists, and Kenya is going to be one of the most promising goldfields in the world, asserted Mr. Evans, who is at present studying geology and anthropology at Cambridge. He told many stories of the luck of diggers and exhibited photographs of the sluicing system used on the fields and of the borings done by an American millionaire on his Kakamega claims. "Piccadilly Circus—the Kakamega one—is going to be the centre of one of the most important towns in East Africa."

The lecturer's enthusiasm for Kenya is being transmitted to others, for he has already given the address to a number of English public schools.

East African Travel Film

"War of the Wks," a new edition of Mr. Ralphe Holmes's African films, which was shown in London last week, gives the intrepid traveller on safari in East Africa and shows him many interesting pictures, including views of the Ngongoro Crater, millions of wildebeest on Lake Natron, and the pups of many species of African game, large and small. Mr. Holmes introduces Darcy and Joan, the two leopards trained in Moshi by Mr. Jerome de la Motte, describing their relation as one of the most wonderful instances of wild animal domestication within his knowledge. The film is enlivened by an excellent commentary.

East Africa in the House

Sir Park Giff asked the Secretary of State for Colonies whether and why aware of the value of cotton goods and other British African possessions, and whether he would take action to counteract the activities of the Committee of Free Trade in respect and protect British trade with these places. When Mr. MacDonald replied that he had no objection that the volume of trade was substantial, Sir Park stated that the figure was now trebled since 1923.

Mr. William Dawson asked the Secretary of State for the Dominions whether a decision of the Cabinet to the effect that a referendum in Southern Rhodesia should show a majority of 16,000 to 3,000 in favour of a free state under strict legal control.

E. H. B. Posters

Mr. W. G. A. Ormsby-Jones, who was first Minister of the Empire Marketing Board's publicity committee, presided at the opening last week of an exhibition at the Imperial Institute of the original designs of the Board posters. These posters are available for sale at the exhibition, which remains open until March 31. Among the East African subjects are oil and ivory, staple products, sugar, sisal, cotton, coffee, and sisal. Mr. F. C. Strickland, director of the Imperial Institute, said that East African symbols are also on view.

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Latest Mining News.

Congo Tin Restriction.

Belgian Congo tin producers have agreed to join the restriction scheme.

Nigeria Tin.

Kasera (Nigeria) Tinfields, Ltd. announced that the output for February exceeded 100 tons.

Kenya Gold Mining Output.

Kenya Gold Mining Syndicate announced that during January and February 749 tons were mined, yielding 5 1/2 oz. of bullion. During the same period, 733 tons cyanided yielded 145 oz. bullion.

Empire Copper Production.

The central gravity of the copper mining industry is definitely passing from the U.S.A. to the British Empire, as the following figures of production show:

	U.S.A.	Canada	Rhodesia	Tons
1933	690,000	5,000	104,000	
1934	1,200,000	10,000	104,000	

Sir Edmund Davis' New Company.

The Minerals Research Syndicate, Ltd. has been registered as a private company with a nominal capital of £100,000 in shares to acquire leases and mineral properties, mainly in Rhodesia. It is in Africa as an agent with the Chrome Company, Ltd., and is prospecting for base metals. Directors are Sir Edmund Davis, 13, Lansdown Road, W.11, and Mr. S. H. Boyleau, 14, Villiers Avenue, Chelsea.

Mr. McGregor Ross and Kakamega.

Mr. McGregor Ross, addressing the annual meeting of the Hendon Liberal Association, referred to the action of the Kenya Government in the matter of the Kakamega tinfields. A resolution was adopted, "deploring the action of the Kenya Government, and the present given to the action by Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister in revoking its concession to the Kenya Natives that for the land extending from the Nature Reserve an equivalent area should be added to the Reserve elsewhere, and that for any exclusion the Local Native Council should be consulted."

EAST AFRICAN STOCK AND SHARE PRICES

We have received the following prices by air mail from Nairobi:

	Last week	This wk
London America Centur	10s	12.50s
London Mining Share (5s)	25.50cts.	24s. 50cts.
Kenya Consolidated (5s)	7s.	7s.
Kenya Goldmining (and 5s)	10s. 0	10s.
Kenya District (minerals) (5s)	11s.	11s.
Kon-Milimu	30s.	30s.
Nigeria Goldfields (5s. Price)	5s.	5s. 50cts.
Portuguese (5s.)	1s. 25cts.	1s. 75cts.

Office for Congo Development.

The Belgian Government has approved a project to run a cable to provide funds for the development of the Belgian Congo.

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Mr. H. G. Robins

An interesting character sketch of Mr. H. G. Robins, the generous donor of a game reserve in Southern Rhodesia, is contained in an article in *Country Life*, written by Major W. R. Foran, who

In the heart of the African bush, his veteran prospector, with scientific interests, who prefers the company of his instruments and of his wild beasts to that of his neighbours, stands out as a unique character. Short and sturdy of stature, the proud possessor of a long bushy white beard, his steady grey eyes at once reveal a more than ordinarily active mind and an equally generous nature. Admitting to seventy years and more, he is one of the fast-dwindling band of the best English and Rhodesian pioneers. He was prospecting for minerals hereabouts before the occupation of Southern Rhodesia by the Pioneer Column, and has witnessed those lands pass from primeval chaos into relative civilisation with roads, railways, mines and cities. His house, touched by any woman's hand, is that of one pioneer, and within its rough mud walls, guarded by a pair of great Danes, he lives aloof. Yet enough is the last word to describe him, unconventional as his habits and appearance may be. His dining room, where a delicious meal is served, is well-stocked scientific library, the journals of most of the learned societies are stacked in a corner, and a neatly equipped dark room and laboratory reveal the interests of a geologist. In his later years he has added astronomy, for which he has an observatory to his other occupations.

Flying to Schedule.

The four aircraft of the "Atlantic" type first introduced on the Kismayu-Cape Town section of the African air route in January of last year have now flown 20,000 miles. During that period only one landing has been made at a non-scheduled stop.

Pedigree Bulls for Nyasaland.

A specially constructed superstructure giving protection against insect pests, used recently to transport three pedigree Sussex bulls to Nyasaland from Southern Rhodesia by motor lorry. These bulls were purchased by The Imperial Tobacco Company in order to improve their breeding stock in Nyasaland.

Medical Conference Success.

A final appreciation of the Dar es Salaam meeting organised by the Tanganyika Branch of the British Medical Association can now be made. No session was attended by fewer than twenty-one members and one vector, while the maximum attendance was thirty-one members and seventy-two others—clear proof of success. All the delegates and their wives received private hospitality and a reception, dinner and gala performance in the local theatre were also arranged. The visitors, we hear, had more than a little difficulty in persuading their hosts to accept a token of gratitude in the shape of a sundowner party. The most important session, a medical education, and in his judgment the outstanding speech was that of the Hon. and Rev. R. Mrs. Gibbons, the missionary member of the Legislative Council. We are glad to know that it is to be published. Annual conferences of medical men are likely to result from the success of this Dar es Salaam gathering, to the organisation of which Dr. Vesey Dixon contributed largely.

Italy and Africa

In an important speech delivered in Rome on Sunday, Signor Mussolini said that the historical mission of Italy lay in Africa and in Asia. He added that there was no question of territorial conquests, but of a natural expansion which ought to lead to a collaboration between Italy and the peoples of Africa and the East. Italy, above all civilised Africa, and her position in the Mediterranean gave her the right and imposed this duty on her. She demanded no privileges and monopolies, but did not want earlier arrivals to block her spiritual, political and economic expansion.

New Pension and Retiring Regulations

Two changes in the pensions regulations applicable to European officers in East Africa have been brought into force as a result of the acceptance by the Secretary of State of recommendations made by the Governors' Conference in February of last year. The first affects the rate at which pension is earned. Hitherto it was one-fourth of the pay and eightieth part of the pensionable emoluments for each month of service; but this is now reduced to one-sixth of the pay and one-fifth of the emoluments for each month of service. Officers in the East African service are concerned. The second change increases the retiring age to fifty-five, though still permitting voluntary or compulsory retirements after fifty in special cases even when grounds for invaliding do not exist.

Magamba County Club, Eushoto.

Considerable extensions and improvements have been made to the Magamba County Club. A covered veranda has been added to the front of the main building, a new block of three bedrooms has been built, and a complete new hot and cold water system installed. The water supply, always plentiful, has been duplicated and sedimentation filter and storage tanks provided. In spite of the unprecedented drought during the past season, the Club's water supply never failed, though some streams in the neighbourhood dried up for the first time in thirty years. The golf course belonging to the Club has been improved, for a law has been cleared to open up beautiful lawns, and several hundred fruit trees have been planted. The Club now has comfortable accommodation for twenty guests.

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The National Bank of India is to pay a final dividend of 10% making a total of 20%.

A Port Jackson correspondent writes that the tourist season is about to begin. The season was interrupted a few weeks ago.

Two hundred exhibitors have already booked space at the Portuguese Colonial Exhibition which is to be held this summer in Oporto.

Southern Rhodesia showed a comprehensive range of its products at the South London Exhibition in the Crystal Palace last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Horrobin have returned to Livingstone and have taken over the management of the North Western Hotel, the oldest and largest in the town.

The Council of the Northern Rhodesia Live Stock Association, of which Mr. E. J. Garston is Chairman, has agreed to reduce the selling price of cattle by about 25% in order to meet over competition.

A preliminary estimate of the customs duties on Kenya during 1933 were about £2,250,000 under the estimate. The reason being the late arrival of two heavy cargoes that should have been cleared before the end of the year.

The total traffic carried through the Suez Canal last year increased from 23,500,000 tons to 26,945,000 tons. The northward traffic was 7,303,000 tons, an increase of 840,000 tons, and the southward traffic 19,242,000 tons, an increase of 1,304,000 tons.

The better prices for cotton will considerably increase the purchasing power of native growers. One prominent merchant estimates that the native's purchasing power this season will be about £250,000,000, whereas, generally, it was £200,000,000.

The appeal of the Indian Association to Dar-es-Salaam for the adoption of uniform rates for private post boxes in Tanganyika, East Africa and Uganda has been accepted by the Postmaster-General, who points out that such uniformity would be in keeping with the Queen's Imperial Post Office.

The trade outlook of the Sudan is encouraging. Sir Edward Cornhill, addressing the weekly annual meeting of the National Bank of Egypt, said that the cotton crop is distinctly better and the food crops have been plentiful and cheap while in 1933. The Government for the first time for four years was able to show a small surplus in its budget.

The supply of locally produced foodstuffs in Kenya is increasing. In addition to coffee, tea, flour, butter, jam, sugar and cheese, the following commodities are now obtainable: Kampot dried bean jelly powder, preserved fruits, cats' paws, and furniture polish. An unofficial report received by H.M. Eastern Africa Dependencies Trade and Information Office in London, states that the development should encourage incoming settlers in procuring the cost of living, a collateral combination with the low building costs of towns makes the prospect an exceedingly favourable one for immigration.

The Land Department of Tanganyika has produced a prospectus giving details of the land available for alienation, and the conditions on which rights of occupancy are granted. Copies may be obtained on application to the Land Officer, Dar-es-Salaam.

Non-official and private visits to Tanganyika during October numbered 78, of whom 39 were German, 24 British, and 15 Swiss. Visitors to the Territory during the same month numbered 1,000, of whom 80 were of British nationality. Of the 121 visitors who entered the Territory during September 83 were British; the non-British immigrants numbered 48, of whom 26 were Germans and 17 Britons.

Instances of Japanese underpricing in the East African market have been given by Mr. Roy Fletcher, Director of the East African British Manufacturers' Association, in a recent issue of "Trade Notes". He says, "The Japanese tennis shoes, crepe soled, cost 6s. 6d. compared with 1s. 6d. for Japanese Kinkiki shoes with lightning fasteners sold well to the natives at 3s. 6d. The Japanese copied them exactly, down to the trade mark, and they were retailed for 2s. 6d."

East Kenya Crop Report

The latest crop report from the East Kenya District shows a yield of 1,700,000 bags of maize, 200 lb. harvesting and 1,000,000 bushels of wheat. Amount available for export is estimated to reach 450,000 bags.

Wheat—Now less than half yield will be made, mainly 1,700,000 bags. Crops in main areas have been good. Harvesting is nearly completed. There will be a small surplus above the milling requirements of the Colony.

Coffee—The weather estimated at 20.475 cwt. in the main areas the coffee trees, despite the continued weather, are reported in excellent condition.

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London prices for East African coffees on March 19 totalled 8,125 bags, compared with 102,107 bags on the corresponding date of last year.

OTHER MARKETS

Custor Shea.—Active but steady at 25s. per ton (1933-1934) 102 1/2 ros.

Cocoa.—Quiet. East Zanzibar spot quoted at 25s. 6d. (1933-1934) 6d. (1933-1934) 6d.

Great Britain imported 2,850 cwt. of cloves from Zanzibar during December.

Zanzibar exported 2,200 bags of clove stems during 1933.

Cocoa.—Weakened at 131-135 per ton for standard for cash.

Cocoa.—Steady at about 120 per ton (1933-1934) 112 1/2 ros.

Colony.—East African is slower from 5d. to 7d. per lb. according to quality (1933-1934) 5d. (1933-1934) 6d.

Cocoa.—Steady at 122 1/2 per ton.

Gold.—Slightly lower at 136s. 6d. per oz.

Gold.—East African steady at 185 per ton (1933-1934) 112 1/2 ros.

India.—Slow, with Bombay heavy weight quoted at 51d. per lb.

Shea.—Steady with East African No. 1 for March 1934 quoted at 25s. 6d. and May/July and June/August 1934 at 27 1/2, 26s. 6d. and 27 1/2, respectively.

White sugar for March 1934 has been sold at 2 1/2 to 2 3/4, and for March 1935 at 2 1/2 to 2 3/4.

272 packages of Nyasaland and 381 packages of Kenya tobacco sold last week at an average of 15 1/2d. per lb. (1933-1934) 7 1/2d.

Nyasaland exported 64,745 lbs. of tobacco during January 1934. Lower, with standard cash quoted at 2 1/2 to 2 3/4.

Tobacco from Nyasaland during January 1934 amounted to 12,105 lbs. of tobacco. The exports totalled 13,448 lbs. of tobacco.

Gold—The price of gold in the market for competition last week and sold at 131-135 per ton for standard for cash.

Latest locust reports

The latest locust reports from East Africa give the following information:

Kenya.—The general situation is no worse. In the Masai and Kikuyu hopper emergence has been reported, and the situation remains unchanged. In the Masai Machakos area the swarms are not dense but widespread; some damage has been done to crops and grazing in the Reserve but it has not been severe. No signs of egg-laying have been noticed in Machakos. In many of the districts care-dying and heavy mortality is reported. In Masai Some Kisi district some scattered swarms of red locusts are circling, but their numbers are on the decrease owing to attacks by birds.

Tanganyika.—Laying in the Bahimajaro area reported to be diffuse.

Uganda.—Reports disclose an almost complete absence of migratory locusts in the northern part of the Protectorate, and the south egg-laying has taken place in scattered spots. The District Commissioner, Bunyoro, has observed that the hoppers are changing colour and becoming sooty. Red locust hoppers continue to be found in the lake; destruction has been taken out of the house and it is unlikely that swarms of this species originate in Uganda.

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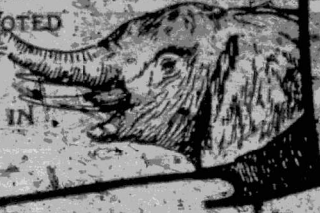
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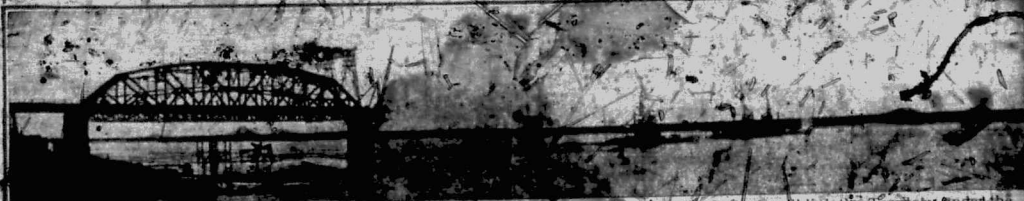
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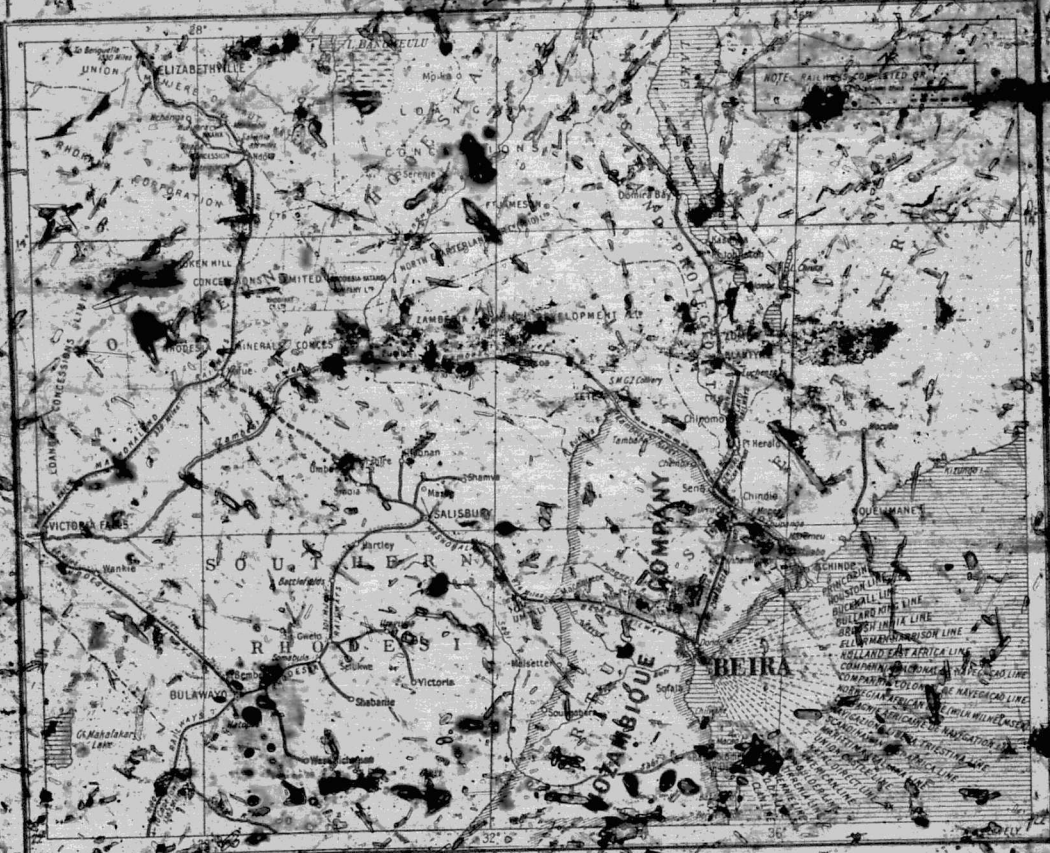
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anew, they bring into the hands of the German Colonial Party and weakening those of Herr Hitler and those who with him oppose the idea of the annexation of a German overseas policy.

Incidentally, he supports his arguments with false statistics. To show that the possible British trade would be "insignificant" if Lord ROTHMERER'S Tanganyika were returned to GERMAN STATISTICS, he asserts that in 1932 only 10% of the commercial imports of the Territory came from Great Britain. The truth is that Great Britain supplied 30% and other British States 20%. No that the Empire altogether furnished 50%. The statement that the total shipments of British goods in 1932 amounted to 47,922 tons is false, unless it is added to that that is the tonnage shipped in British bottoms, and that the total cargo tonnage was 133,333 tons. There again the British share, instead of being insignificant, was over 30%. His Lordship's picture of Tanganyika is a picture of 617 young German emigrants to emigrate to the new German East Africa, conveniently ignoring local conditions. The German Colonial population of Tanganyika is well under 8,000, and though the number can be increased, it certainly can not be safely augmented with great rapidity. The population which makes up 80% of Great Britain is included, was only 10% of whom 60% were pastors and farmers, 10% engaged in commercial occupations, 35% professional and technical workers, and 35% miners, pitmen and the like. The idea is thus an idea that the British surrender of Tanganyika will provide an outlet for young Germans, who are now at perfect liberty to engage in agricultural training, or missionary work at the territory. To reverse other points, the emigration would be a waste of space, suffice it to say, that we can conceive of freer emigration to the Empire and to Germany than a British Press campaign in support of claims which such a case British Governments have refused to contemplate, and to the abandonment of a large number of the leading public men in Germany have recently become reconciled.

Rhodesia and Nyasaland must turn their attention to the cigarette tobacco. That is the writing on the wall. While all credit must be given to everyone concerned for the success achieved in pipe tobacco, it must be recognised that the goal in that market has been practically reached. From 9% of the British total in 1924, the share for Empire pipe tobacco had risen to 70% in 1933, and as the consumption remains, possibly stationary, at 20,000 lb. there is scope for only a 2% increase. With the advance, and although in 1933 Rhodesia and Nyasaland only showed an increase over 1932 of approximately one million pounds delivered for home consumption, such an increase must soon cease automatically. The cigarette tobacco position is entirely different, and here is great scope. First, the consumption is already more than twice that of pipe tobacco, and is steadily increasing. Secondly, the percentage of Empire leaf used is still very small. Plans of improved manufacture should therefore concentrate on growing and also on the steadily increasing demand for British African leaf for cigarettes. The local

tobacco manufacturers have done a good deal to coordinate opinion and consolidate policy, and the Tobacco Federation of the British Empire might have done a good deal more. A two-sided campaign to achieve this end, the experience gained and goodwill secured during the conflict in the pipe tobacco market can be put to good account, and success should crown well-aimed and pertinacious applied.

We welcome the first issue of *The Uganda Journal*, the organ of The Uganda Literary and Scientific Society, which we are able to state, with pleasure, we remain The Uganda Society as an emendation, for more than a decade Mr. J. W. Wayland was Honorary Secretary of the Society, of which he is now Vice-President and one of the most active supporters. Its continued existence is due almost solely to him, and we must be delighted with this very creditable production, which suggests that Uganda means to emulate the excellent *Sudan Notes and Records*. The first issue contains articles on the Wabura Forest by Captain C. R. S. Pitman, on Bark Cloth making in Uganda by A. D. P. T., on Mutesa by Mr. J. M. Gray, and Notes on the Flora and Fauna of a Ugandan Swamp by Mr. W. J. Eggeling. Of the latter notes the most interesting is one by Mr. W. J. Eggeling on a dry crossing of the Nile. If the present standard is maintained, this Journal will soon establish itself as indispensable to anyone who would be well informed on Uganda affairs, and it appears to be therefore a Matter of Moment.

Family business is a long budgeted occasion so much worry these days that most hymns give little thought to mission finance. The BISHOP'S POCKETS, other day, the leading Bishop AND THE MISSIONS of Bombasa gave a London audience an insight into some of the less prominent, but inescapable expenses of missionary work, and what applies to his diocese holds equally elsewhere and in other denominations. It is the money for these most necessary necessities that is particularly hard to find, for a very small subscription from the white Christians in East Africa would cover all—if only it were universally paid. There is every reason why it should be paid. Nowadays almost everyone recognises that missions are an essential part of the community, and not an outside body with which the rest have no concern. Apart from their moral and religious influence upon the Natives, they do the greater part of the teaching and training, and at a cost with which Government—in other words, the taxpayer—can never compete. By such services they render material and economic benefit to the whole community, and to the Natives alone, missions have more support, both financial and in the ever needed of our ill-health.

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Party Systems in Africa

Views of a Southern Rhodesian M.P.

To the Editor of "East Africa"
I am more than ever convinced that it is stupid to impose on a small white population in Africa whether the so-called Southern Rhodesia or the Bechuanaland, a complete party system. Each little group when it gets into power tends to become an exclusive little inn, impressed on its own importance and brazenly developing complete immunity from ideas from outside. In a country where constructive imagination of any kind is extremely scarce, the system of government should be simple enough to realise ideas or contributions from everybody.

Yours faithfully

ROBERT M. HARRISON
SOUTHERN RHODESIAN M.P.

A Reader's Appreciation

Rev. F. Cullen Young and "East Africa"

To the Editor of "East Africa"
I must express appreciation of a piece of work which is being done, and which to one like me seems to be doing, or at least not doing so well. I mean the notices which appear in East Africa of the proceedings of various London Groups interested in the discussion of East African problems, but which do not get the notice they deserve in the ordinary press. Each group has its own journal, the Royal Anthropological Society's African section and the Royal Anthropological Institute's meetings where East African matters are dealt with.

There must be many beside myself who feel grateful to have so wide a net as to cover the subject of this section.

Yours faithfully

F. CULLEN YOUNG

Carry on the Debate

Is Crown Colony Government Dictatorship?

To the Editor of "East Africa"

Sir, In the broadcast debate between Sir Edward Gifford and Mr. J. H. Oldham from which you have been so kindly extracting, and may I hope so, I thank you for the opportunity to listen in and do not regret that "The Listener" has described the system of Crown Colony Government as "this is dictatorship."

I was surprised in your report of the debate that I bought the current issue of The Listener to read it in full and found that you had not missed much in the issue, and in the broadcast on "Political Freedom" by Mrs. Bakker, who I suppose that I would call a "hard" but fair, and Dictatorship is like a "hard" but fair, very magnificent to look at in the present but nothing grows underneath it." Perhaps this is a fair point.

I hope that the debate thus originated by the B.C.C. will be continued in the columns of East Africa, which provides the best platform for Africans, and one for which we are, or should be, very grateful.

Isaiah Dene
Newcastle-on-Tyne

Yours faithfully

C. B. REYNOLDS

Death in Ant-Bear's Hole

Curious Case from Northern Rhodesia

To the Editor of "East Africa"

There must be a rare fatality occurred some fourteen miles from here last week and resulted in the death of three Natives. A party of six came across an ant-bear hole and there was an argument as to whether the den was occupied or not.

The rest of the party who held their breath, entered the hole two, requiring each time to rest and smoke. On re-entering a third time they failed to return. After some delay two have been who had started digging operations and on the fifth day continuous work came on the body of one of the Natives wedged tightly in a tunnel a depth of twelve feet. Digging was continued for another four days, but the bodies of the other two missing men were not found.

The various ant-hills reached during the digging lay at a depth of from one foot to eighteen feet below the surface.

Karibia
Northern Rhodesia
Yours faithfully
T. OXO

Can You Explain This?

A Request for Enlightenment

To the Editor of "East Africa"

Our widely read journal has settled wild and unproven stories very convincingly. Thanks to you we all know now that giraffe and crocodiles can swallow water, but and it easiest to bolt their food with the help of gravity in a tongueless gullet, so that their vertical heads held out of the water in the usual feeding style.

Will your readers explain why, after so long travelling over the low paths had small holes the mice lying dead in the margins. Natives, with their magical notions, say that the path is the usual hole taboo, and if it attempts to cross it.

Native also are sure that Europeans have no magic, that is, are immune from the powers of supernatural spirits, I claim a similar immunity in animals.

Mphoro
Nyanungwa Territory
Yours faithfully
KEER

Lawlessness in Kenya

Further Corroboration from Sotik

To the Editor of "East Africa"

The usual training camp of the Kenya Defence Force was recently held on the grounds of the Sotik sports club, near the town of Kericho. I had about a century of Kenyan anti-aircraft guns, to show their loyalty for the demonstration. These anti-aircraft guns were taken back to the local shop of the group of Messrs. Messers. Co., stealing each blankets and other goods to the value of about £250. The raid was well-organised. The raid was on the telephone wires and was planned with great secrecy. The raid was on the telephone wires and was planned with great secrecy. The raid was on the telephone wires and was planned with great secrecy.

W. H. ...
Kenya

Fine Film of Wild Life.

Mr. T. A. Glover's Achievement.

At a meeting last week of the Zoological Society Mr. T. A. Glover showed a film of wild life in Africa which, in general content, marks a big advance on anything of the kind previously done. Not only did he use a cinephoto lens, but by using time and exercising patience he was able to make most of his shots from 25 to 30 ft. and sometimes even as far as 50 ft. This is a really remarkable achievement, and the results are correspondingly satisfactory.

Some of the most successful scenes were those among a herd of dik-diks in a savanna near Narok. These were followed by scenes in which a lion had become quite accustomed to the presence of the camera and was able to get very close to the lens. Another striking picture showed a lion with its chest bare and butting ears, which there were excellent photographs of birds and locusts. Concerning the latter he told how game posts are set before them.

Few people seem to realise that lions are a danger to animals as well as to man. The lecturer was following some elephants in the bush and for no apparent cause they started to retreat towards Mr. Glover, setting up a mass retreat of about 200 ft. in the game. He found that they had reached a point which the locusts had arrived and that the way which turned them back.

Snakes also figured in the film, the black mamba cobra and puff adder being shown. The shots of flamingoes on Lake Elmenteita, rightly broadcast forth a burst of applause and there were excellent views of Grant's gazelle, Topi, zebra and other game.

Together it is a really notable film, of merely technical merit, but one which is showing almost complete success in achievement.

African Society's Progress.

TRIBUTES to his twelve years as President were paid to Lord Buxton when he took the chair for the last time at last week's annual meeting of the African Society.

Since 1919, 1922, when the Society was reconstituted, the Prince of Wales has become Patron, the Duke of York and Prince George have accepted honorary life memberships, 118 new members have been elected, fees have been reduced, and incomes increased.

A pension system, a restricted tenure of office, and of retirement in rotation has been wisely instituted. The following elections were made:

- President**—The Earl of Athlone; **Hon. Life President**—Earl Buxton; **Vice-Chairman**—Lord Edward Gleichen; **Honorary Vice-Presidents** (besides some *ex-officio*)—Hon. Sir John Lubbock, **General** of the Union of South Africa and Mrs. Louis Botha, Lord Lugard, Viscountess Amber, Sir Matthew Nathan, Sir Alfred Sharpe, Captain G. G. General Smuts, Sir Henry Woodbine, Sir Robert Williams, and Sir Reginald Wingate; **Honorary Vice-Presidents**—Sir John Sandeman, Allen, Sir H. Owen Buxton, Sir Howard D'Evallie, Sir Henry Gwynne, Lord Edward Gleichen, Sir Robert Hamilton, Mr. C. W. Hobley, Sir Humphrey Jaggard, Viscount Beveridge, Mr. D. O. Malcolm, Colonel G. E. Ross, and Sir T. Denison Ross.

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Capability of the Natives:

Dr. E. B. Worthington's Observations.

In a lecture delivered to the Royal Anthropological Institute last week Dr. E. B. Worthington, stating that some present-day anthropologists considered it "orthodox" to attribute intelligence to the Native, urged a more human attitude towards the Native mind, and illustrated his plea by examples from Native fisherman and boat builders in many parts of East Africa.

The principal lakes mentioned were the Luo and the Ganda of Lake Victoria; the Kenyi and the Lake Naoga, and a preliminary existence in the swamps of Lake Naoga; the Anzole and Toro basins of Lake George; and the Turkana of Lake Rudolf.

Fishing methods described indicate a deep knowledge of natural history on the part of African tribesmen, and in the fish fauna of each lake is quite distinct, the knowledge has evidently been acquired separately by each tribe. The Luo are particularly ingenious in their fishing methods. They have apparatus constructed from local materials, such as reeds, papyrus and saplings, which seemed just as effective as the European fishing methods of seine, trawl and river fish trap.

As an aid to fishing, craft of diverse kinds are fashioned from any material at hand. In particular, the dug-out and plank canoes of Lake Victoria show the evolution of the magnificent Ganda canoe from the dug-out by gradual stages. Many intermediate stages still in use can show how the change can have taken place, and enable to convey by many small inventions.

Can Africans Invent?

Whether Natives are capable of inventing things, or merely of picking up ideas from other people by a process of diffusion of culture, is, said Dr. Worthington, of great importance, since on our attitude of mind is dependent our attitude to the whole future of Native races, their administration and education. "Is Native education like pouring water on to sand, or is it like pouring water on to a mixture of sand and cement?—in which case, after certain changes, difficult to interpret, have taken place, the result is something concrete to build towers of self-administration and self-education."

Contact between different civilisations, whether regarded as crossing between different races of animals or plants, in which case variation resulted and a new stimulus was given to the process of evolution. The most startling piece of evolution going on at present was, in the opinion of the lecturer, that of man's brain. The European brain was ahead of the Native's, but he saw no reason to suppose the evolution of the Native brain was at a standstill. Until our knowledge had advanced much further, the evolution of man's brain could be interpreted by its capacity or structure, but only by what it produced. Methods of fishing and of boat-building were an index of what the brain produced, and suggested that the Native's evolution was progressing rapidly. Fishing was primarily a struggle between the brains of predator and the preyed, whereas hunting was a struggle between the brains of the hunter and the preyed, which was best displayed among fishermen.

In the work on the African Research Survey now in progress, the problem of nutrition stood out prominently. Native diet was often deficient in substances which could be supplied by fish, and the lake and sea fisheries of Africa offered a remarkable opportunity for development through the agency of the shore-dwelling tribes.

Dr. Henry Ballard gave examples to show how the opposing view of culture diffusion had had its effect on fishing methods. He admitted that in certain cases independent invention had evidently played its part.

Dr. L. S. P. Leakey mentioned among other things how certain tribes, such as the Kikuyu, had religious objections to eating fish and seemed incapable of digesting such food.

National Bank of India Report.

The National Bank of India Ltd., in their report for the year ended December 31, announce their profits after providing for all bad and doubtful debts to be Rs. 7,70,00,000, an increase of Rs. 2,20,00,000 on the corresponding period of the previous year. The rate of 10% after tax was paid in September last, and the directors recommended a further dividend at the same rate, less tax, Rs. 50,00,000 to be added to the officers' pension fund, leaving Rs. 2,45,780 to be carried forward.

PERSONALIA.

Lord Maclean is visiting Kenya.

Lord Buxton has been elected President of the Eighty Club.

Sir William Morris Carter has arrived in London from Estoria.

Monday marked the thirty-second anniversary of the death of Cecil Rhodes.

Mr. S. E. Terrell is expected to arrive in England from Uganda early in May.

Mr. J. A. Fawcett, Inspector of Fisheries Tanganyika, is expected home on leave very shortly.

Mr. J. W. P. Cadell and Miss Ruth Evelyn Fernyhough recently married in Mombasa.

Mr. W. C. Hunter, the well-known Kenya business man, has arrived on leave and is staying in London.

Major G. H. Anderson, "Andy" to so many East Africans, has to return home from Kenya in May.

Mr. C. H. Wood scored no runs out in a recent cricket match in Nairobi between Europeans and Asians.

Mr. M. G. de Courcy Ireland, the Uganda Agricultural Officer, is on his way back to the Protectorate.

Mr. Vera Buxton, the widow of the late Sir Vera Buxton, has been appointed to the Nakuru War Memorial Hospital as a member of a series of orators.

Captain F. Ward, the well-known Nairobi business man, has returned from M.T.C. and arrived in London.

The Rev. W. S. Flynn, the former Nakuru chaplain, has been nominated to the rectory of Hemmelfield, near Horsham.

Mr. R. H. Davis, a well-known American journalist and author, and Mrs. Davis were visiting Petra during mail week.

Mr. Geoffrey Walsh, C.B.E., the new Treasurer of Kenya, left England last week for Nairobi to take up his appointment.

Colonel C. J. Knaggs, Kenya's new Settlement Publicity Agent, has arrived in England from India, accompanied by Mrs. Knaggs.

Dr. C. Viner Brambridge is expected to arrive home shortly on leave from Nairobi. He will spend most of his holiday on the South Coast.

Lady Miniburnholme, who recently visited the Sudan, will return to Market Harborough early next month. She is now in the South of France.

Lord Cranworth, who has been a breeder of the dual-purpose red poll cattle for over thirty years, has been elected President of the Red Poll Society.

Lord and Lady Sandeman Allen expect to return to London in about April from their visit to East and South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

Colonel George Gordon Crossman, C.B.E., D.S.O., who has gone of retired, has just commanded the 2nd Battalion Northamptonshire Regiment in the Sudan.

Mr. Alfred Vincent, managing director of Motor Mart & Exchange, the well-known East African motor dealership, and Mr. Vincent have arrived in London from Nairobi.

The marriage will take place in April of Mr. Bernard D. Wainford, of Asher, and Miss Pearl Aline Prestoc, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Prestoc, of Magadi, Kenya Colony.

Captain G. C. Crookshank, R.N., who was recently killed by an elephant while hunting big game near Moshi, left a settled estate of the gross value of £74,057, with net personalty of £5,804.

The Rt. Rev. J. J. Wilson, C.B.E., who has been Bishop of Uganda for the past twenty-two years, and who has just retired after thirty years' work in East Africa, is travelling home to Ceylon and India.

Sir Herbert Stanley, former Governor of Northern Rhodesia, and Colonel C. C. Rey, who has had extensive experience in Ethiopia, accompanied Prince George last week during his visit to Bechuanaland.

Miss Pamela Wilson, youngest daughter of Sir Malcolm Wilson, of Cliffe Hall, Piccadilly, and her brother, Mr. Gerald Wilson, will spend the summer in Kenya with their uncle, Mr. Frank Wilson.

Mr. B. A. Crean, who served in Kenya from 1930 to 1932, latterly as Resident Magistrate, and who has been a Pleasé Judge in Cyprus for the past five years, has been appointed Chief Justice of British Guiana.

Sir Albert Cook, C.M.G., was in lecture in Kenya last week to the Uganda Literary and Scientific Association. The Journey Branch in 1933 and Kamana during the Closing Years of Last Century.

Mr. J. W. B. Pollock, who was recently married in Cairo, concluded his honeymoon by flying down to Mbeya, where he has resumed his duties as District Officer. He has served in Tanganyika for the past eleven years.

Mr. Lord Mason Moore presided over the recent annual general meeting of the East African Women's League in Nairobi. Mrs. R. B. Tait, first President, was re-elected, with Mrs. D. H. Heath as the Secretary and Treasurer.

The engagement is announced, and the marriage will take place in April, between the Rt. Rev. Ronald C. P. D. Bishop of Madagascar, and Ann Moleworth, only child of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Underwood, of 3, Chester Road, Newbury.

East Africa in the House.

African Air Mail Subsidies.

A special appeal to the Imperial Government to contribute a greater proportion of the subsidy paid to Imperial Airways for their services to East Africa was made in the House of Commons last week by Sir Edward Gwynne.

Five small colonies, whose combined revenues do not amount to one per cent of the revenues of the country, pay £2,000,000 between them, the Union of South Africa £1,000,000, Great Britain £10,000,000. The proportions seem to me, in defiance of Kenya, with a revenue of under £2,500,000, after certain deductions for railways have been taken away, pays £150,000 a year. If the Imperial Government contributed in the same proportion we should be paying over £5,000,000 a year.

"We often hear that the Imperial Government should maintain control of expenditure in such States. We often hear complaints in Parliament that the settler is deriving more advantage from expenditure than other races. The House is right in pointing out that over such matters, but we should not lay the blame upon ourselves, and the responsibility lies with the colonies as regards to a territory like Kenya, which has been discharged when we allow such a sum as this, which has been quoted to be taken from the taxpayer of the colony, compared with the contribution by the taxpayer of the Far more African than white taxpayers are affected by this subsidy, and I say that the proportion in which the subsidy is divided is an exploitation of the African taxpayer for the benefit of the taxpayer here.

I hope Government will redress the division of the expenditure. It should be redressed by increasing ours. The African taxpayer is getting value for his contribution but he ought to get much greater value for his money. The service should be more frequent and faster. Many things could be done to develop the service. We demand from them an unfair payment and keep the service inadequate because we pay much less than we should. This concerns not only the efficiency of Imperial communications, but is an extremely important matter as affecting the reservoir of pilots and mechanics in the matter of defence."

Sir Philip Sassoon replied that the Imperial Government paid a great deal of subsidy to Kenya, as far as Africa. When the matter came up for consideration, all the points which Sir Edward had raised would receive full consideration.

Protracted Litigation over Trifles.

Lord Apsley asked whether the attention of the Colonial Secretary had been drawn to the fact that litigation over the ownership of a few eucalyptus trees in Kenya began in 1932, and that, after passing through every possible Court in the Colony, finished over two years later, and still in view of the comment of the Chief Justice deprecating such unwarranted and expensive litigation in native cases, especially where the objects at issue were of trifling value, he would look into the matter. Mr. M. McDonald replied that the Governor was being asked for a report.

Lord Apsley asked whether the Secretary of State was aware that the tea set by the tea growing operations in Tanganyika, and what steps he was taking to deal with the serious malaria which has arisen. Sir Philip replied that in a written reply, stated that it was an unfortunate fact that the area under tea set by had spread. Government, however, was doing everything possible not only to prevent such spreading, but to regulate for cultivation areas already subject to it. Research into the best methods of combating the malarial disease had been going on for years by the Teete Research Department, results of which appeared in an official report issued last year. The work of this Department was continuing, thanks largely to a liberal grant from the Colonial Development Fund. The Medical Department was also devoting close attention not only to treatment of sleeping sickness, but also to research into the factors influencing its spread.

Mr. Lyons asked the Postmaster-General whether, in view of the inconvenience arising from the fact that all wireless messages sent to England from Kenya had to be paid for on a gold franc basis, he would direct that all inter-continental communications should in future be assessed and paid for on a basis of sterling at the currency of the country of origin. Sir Ernest Bennett replied that the assessment arrangements for such telegrams were under the control of the local Administrations, and that he had no power to intervene. When Mr. Lyons asked if the P.M.G. would impress upon the local Administrations the vital importance of maintaining the subscription

to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

Kenya Defence Force.

Mr. Duggar asked a supplementary question regarding the regulations proposed to be passed by the Kenya Government regarding the right of British residents to leave Kenya unless they had served in a Defence Force camp during the preceding year. Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister replied that he had never heard of such a regulation being suggested, and he did not think there was power under the Ordinance to make such a regulation.

Mr. Duggar then asked whether the Kenya Government had announced, with the sanction of the Secretary of State, that severe action would be taken against British male residents of military age of Class 1 if they fail to present duty exemption papers this year, and if full right of exemption would be provided for conscription of ex-servicemen of military service. The Minister said he was not aware of any recent announcement by the Government, the Ordinance already provided for the exemption of conscientious objectors.

Mr. Duggar who asked whether a Japanese motorcar had been landed in Mombasa for sale at £400 c.i.f., and what duty was levied on the vehicle, was told that there had been no importations of Japanese cars into Mombasa to date.

Hansard's "Error."

Hansard does not often err. The issue of March 10, however, alleges that a question was asked by Sir John Sandeman Allen, who is at the moment of his way home from Newcastle and New Zealand! No doubt his son, Colonel J. Sandeman Allen, was meant.

Mombasa's Town Clerk.

By sixteen votes to one the Mombasa Municipal Board has adopted a report of a sub-committee recommending that constitutional action should be taken to secure the appointment of the officer now acting as Town Clerk and Treasurer.

Small Conference.

A conference of agricultural experts from Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika has just been held at the Mombasa Research Station. Those attending included Mr. A. Waters, Director of Agriculture, Mr. de la Poer Trench, Mr. Gillett, Mr. Anderson, and Mr. Le Pelly, from Kenya; Dr. Tothill, Director of Agriculture, Mr. Matthews, and Mr. Hargreaves from Uganda; while Tanganyika was represented by Dr. G. B. Wallace, Mr. W. V. Harris, Mr. C. Harvey, and Mr. F. R. Sanders. The primary objects of the conference were to co-ordinate research work, and discuss methods of combating coffee pests and diseases.

Kenya Marksman.

Captain F. Vivian Ward has been re-elected President of the Kenya Rifle Association, with Major F. C. G. Stratton, as Vice-President, and Mrs. S. E. Bagley, Dr. P. H. S. Foulke, and Mr. A. E. Webb, as members of the Council. Mr. C. A. Horley has been re-elected Hon. Treasurer. At the annual general meeting deep appreciation was expressed of the energetic manner in which Mr. Peter Faubister has carried out his duties as Hon. Secretary, and as he is shortly coming home on leave, the selection of a successor was left to the Council. In presenting medals and scrolls to the members of the Inter-Colonial Small Bore and Manning Cup teams Mr. Conway Harvey said that by winning the Manning Cup in five successive years Kenya had set a very high standard, and one which could hardly be surpassed.

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Japanese Malpractices to be Combated.

MR. GEOFFREY WALSH, C.B.E., Treasurer of Kenya, and until recently Commissioner of Customs of Kenya and Uganda, attended the annual meeting, last week of the East African Section of the London Chamber of Commerce. Concerning himself to defining existing conditions, he stated that the trade mark position was in order, but that on the wider question of merchandise marks the position was not satisfactory. The danger was a growing one and there is a good deal more of the goods with fraudulent marks than was formerly the case. The custom would welcome enactment of more comprehensive legislation.

The Chairman, Sir Humphrey Leggett, who warmly thanked Mr. Walsh for sparing the Section part of the last day of his leave, read a letter received from the Colonial Office. It stated:

Further representations from certain Colonial Governors and Trade Commissioners in regard to unfair competition from the copying of trade marks and designs of United Kingdom manufacturers by foreign competitors, principally Japanese, the question of Colonial Merchandise Marks Legislation has been considered.

There is already in force in most parts of the Colonial Empire legislation which provides for the registration and protection of British trade marks, and also legislation dealing with the application of false trade descriptions to goods and the use of forged or misleading trade marks.



MR. GEOFFREY WALSH

New Colonial Legislation.

The Secretary of State hopes shortly to communicate with the officers administering the Colonial Governments with a view to amendment being made in the local legislation, where necessary, so as to bring it into conformity with the provisions of the Imperial Merchandise Marks Act in so far as they relate to the application of false trade descriptions to goods and the use of forged trade marks.

Any extension of existing local legislation has to be the extent of the case could only be undertaken after full consultation with industry bodies in the colonies and in the Colonial Empire. While continuing to proceed as a result of the discussions that have already taken place it is clear that there has already been evidence of a general desire to embark upon more comprehensive legislation than is already in force in most of the Colonial Empire.

Under the protection of British designs in the Colonial Empire, the Secretary of State has been asked to extend the legislation so as to reduce the cost of the registration of those territories of such designs, and a considerable number of territories have already passed the necessary legislation.

Mr. Walsh considered that the steps proposed would be adequate for the present, and that if Imperial legislation were subsequently introduced, Colonial Governments could follow suit.

Dissatisfaction was expressed by the Chairman and Mr. Wigglesworth at the inquiry being held into the operation of lighterage services in Tanganyika. They considered the arrangements inadequate and that Government had not given due weight to the interests of the sisal industry. It was resolved to support the Paris-Sisal Chamber of Commerce demands for reduced rates.

Sir Humphrey Leggett was unanimously re-elected Chairman, and Messrs. Wigglesworth and Hausman and Colonel Ponsonby Deputy Chairmen, subject to the assent of the two last named, neither of whom was present.

Sir Humphrey Leggett thanked Mr. Adams for his valuable services as Secretary and the Press for the space allotted to their deliberations, by which means the influence of the Section spread in a way which it could not otherwise have done.

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Miss Plant's Sudden Death

Self-Sacrificing Nursing Service

We deeply regret to record the sudden death in Gay's Hospital on Friday of Miss Elizabeth Mary Plant, Matron of the Maternity Hospital from August 1928 until the end of last year, when she died.

Trained at Guy's, she joined the M.C.S. early in 1906, worked in Zanzibar for three years, was assigned to the mainland in Kenya, and interned by the Germans early in the War. Together with other mission nurses, she was brought to the notorious prison camp in Tabora, where by her self-sacrificing care for Allied prisoners, by her cheerfulness in dressing them, and by her refusal to be overborne by the German nurse's spite, she took a special delight in attending and tending, besides the usual work, the affection and affection of the whole. Miss Plant, and her friend, Miss Allaire, were outstanding in their devotion to the sick that on their release the civilian prisoners sent a memorial to the British Government asking that some recognition should be conferred upon them. It precedent was the object, as neither was then military nurse, nor military, nor would not yield.

Impressed with the need for a civil service for experienced nurses of long East African experience, Miss Plant resigned from the Mission in 1927 and joined the Tanganyika Government service, in which she did splendid work, which was recognised by the award of the M.B.E. in the Birthday Honours of 1931.

There has been a regular member of the nursing service, and she was missed by a host of friends. She was forward to settling in England, and was actually engaged in finishing a home, her own when she was taken suddenly ill and removed to the hospital in which she died.

Lord Faringdon and Nyasaland

Lord Faringdon, who died last week, took a keen interest in Colonial development, particularly in its transport problems. As far back as 1890 Mr. Joseph Chamberlain suggested to him that he should interest himself in Nyasaland, and he determined to act on the suggestion. As a result, it was due to his initiative and enterprise that the Great Highlands Railway was constructed. His continued support and interest in the Railway up to the date of his death was unbroken, and in the various stages of the development of Nyasaland's railway communications with the sea he displayed an undiminished interest. His son, the Hon. Arnold Henderson, was for many years a director of the Great Highlands Railway Company.

Little Known Places Worth Visiting

It is extraordinary how little is known of East Africa off the regular beaten tracks, said Mr. L. D. Gallon-Kenn at the recent annual meeting of the R.E.A.A. In appealing to members for descriptions of unusually interesting places, he said:

About fifteen miles from Laitokito, which is on the border of Kenya to the top of Kilimanjaro, there is an extraordinary gorge or canyon. It is very deep and rises absolutely perpendicularly to a height of 800 to 1,000 ft. It is a volcanic upheave, and does jut out in the wierdest and most fantastic shapes covered with scores of varieties of ferns, mosses, etc., which grow in profusion. At the bottom of this canyon I am told there is an icy river which suddenly disappears. Some five miles off this on the plains is another gorge through which flows a cold river, while the sands underneath the hills have only a hardy stand on them. The natives say that wherever game starts in this it is over-run and dies.

Near the mission station of Laitokito there is a spring, which the place takes its name, the clear water, up on the sand and every few minutes one can see a coloured bead carried upward by the flow. They are of all sorts and colours, but quite different from the ordinary trade bead worn by the natives. How they get there is a mystery.

The Mombasa Diocese.

London Address by the Bishop

The Bishop of Mombasa addressed a large gathering of the Kenya Church Aid Association at the Church Missionary Society's building in London last week on the subject of work in his Diocese. The Rev. J. E. Humshe, late Africa-seacon of Mombasa, presided. Mrs. Heywood was unable to be present.

Financial help, said the Bishop, came from the M.C.S., which provides the allowances for most of the missionaries, and a considerable amount for working expenses. A new band of workers is similarly supported by the M.C.S. The chaplains to Europeans are mainly supported by the European congregations, who raise over £4,000 annually, and the help given by the Colonial and Continental Church Societies is also of material assistance.

Numerous incidental outside expenses, such as rates and taxes, ground-rents, repairs of buildings, printing and other expenses of schools and committees, and the grants made towards the diocesan mission work at Nakuru, are met by the diocesan fund, to which the contributions of the Kenya Church Aid Fund are allotted.

Speaking of the progress of the Church in the diocese, Bishop Heywood expressed thankfulness that he had had the privilege of consecrating two permanent churches at Mombasa and Wanyuki, and dedicating at Songhor and almost two temporary ones erected by the settlers and beautifully fitted with all the necessary furniture. He also referred to the Kimuri school for Europeans, which is well run, and the Diocese School for Native teachers and ordinands, which is doing good work. On the other hand, the depression had led to a reduction both among chaplains and missionaries.

Reference was made to the steps towards Church Union now being taken in East Africa, where a Committee representing the Anglican, Wesleyan and Methodist Churches is steadily and successfully working on a basis for a United Church in East Africa on South Indian lines.

The Rev. A. St. John Thorpe, Vicar of Christ Church, Beckenham, gave a short account of his recent tour of Kenya and Uganda.

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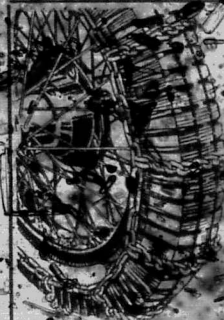
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Economic Development of Kenya

Committee of investigation appointed by Governor.

The Governor of Kenya last week appointed an Economic Development Committee with the following terms of reference: "Regard being had to the present financial position of the Colony and the nature of its existing financial commitments, to examine and advise upon any proposals directed towards the improvement of the Colony's balance of trade and the ways and means of financing and development of its natural and industrial resources." R. Sandford, Acting Treasurer, Chief Native Commissioner, Director of Agriculture, Secretary of the Land Bank, Lord Francis Scott, Mr. J. L. O'Shea, Capt. G. Sanderson (President of the Associated Chambers of Commerce), Mr. C. G. Smiths (Managing Director of the Kenya Farmers' Association), and Mr. D. D. Puri (an Indian merchant).

The Nairobi correspondent of *The Times* says: "The terms of reference are wide enough to permit the discussion of almost any subject, and it is understood that the Government will not permit any further attempt to discuss Civil Service salaries. More vigorous development of Native Reserves is generally regarded as one of the most important questions, but currency, commodity prices, credit, and the railway and other public settlements are many other matters are expected to be reviewed. The Press says that the task of the Committee will be to present a sound case in favour of Sir Philip Curzon-Lister's return, and warns the country not to expect spectacular remedies for the depression, but a concentration on practical issues."

The Benefits of European Rule.

Mr. A. D. V. Wade, Chief Native Commissioner of Kenya who is now home on leave, proposed the date of "The Bench and the Bar" at last week's annual dinner of the Students Law Society. "Cases of the Colonies are designed to say we do for the Colonies and even sell the Natives for our own purposes," he said. "We do them no good and create nothing for their welfare, and it would be far better to leave them alone in the primitive simplicity of their own villages. Believe in the primitive simplicity of life in their own villages, and you will find a life of order and not frequent famines and pestilences. That is the life led where they came in contact with the beneficent influence of Western civilization. No greater blessing has ever been bestowed on the Native population of our Colonies than the introduction of law and order, the beneficence of such laws, the safety of business life, and the security of their property."

Hitler Youth Leader for East Africa.

It is officially announced in Germany that Heinrich Himmler has nominated a youth leader for East Africa. The Hitler Youth leader is to be based upon Himmler's son. He was born in what is now Tanganyika Territory, where his father who fell in the War, was a farmer. The official announcement concludes: "Fishes, as well as the whole of his family, had got out the sea of struggle, and as a youth, worked for National Socialism, and was a warrior of the Third Reich. May his campaign in East Africa against lies and hate and for Germany's call to peace and equality, (*Gleichberechtigung*) fully succeed."

The Ross Institute the other day there was a demonstration by Dr. G. P. Croxson on the situation of houses in the tropics. He explained that a product was now available by which houses, factories, compounds, etc. could be protected at small cost against termites, ants and beetles.

Latest Mining News

Alluvial Output

Kenya Uganda Minerals Exploration Ltd. announces an alluvial output of 12,025 lbs. for the week ended March 22.

Tanganyika Mineral Exports

Tanganyika reports the following mineral output during January: Gold 2,316 lbs., mica 2,081 lb., mica 2,081 lb., tin 11,505 tons (1,841 tons), and 177 tons (1,181 tons).

Mr. G. H. Nutting Arrives

Mr. G. H. Nutting, an Australian who for the last ten years has been persistently prospecting in the Lupia district of Tanganyika, and who is generally considered to have discovered the best alluvial gold in the Tanganyika, reached London from the Continent at the beginning of the week. He is to remain about a month.

Eldoret Mining Bonds

The Eldoret Mining Bonds are announced to be its more important holdings in the Kakamega area inspected by Sir Robert Williams, managing director of Tanganyika Concessions Ltd. during his visit to Kenya and the intensions of the Tanganyika Concessions Ltd. and the syndicate have been discussed over the Tanganyika Syndicate Law near Sala and Mr. Musgrave's claims near Piccola.

New Kenya Gold Company

Kenya Gold Reefs has been registered as a public company with a capital of 20,000 shares to a share of 10/- and is to provide the necessary expenses for the formation of a syndicate of prospectors are Messrs. Wilfred, the managing director of Kenya Gold Mining Syndicate, Ltd., "Kitchen" director of Powell Wood Process Syndicate, and Wallace, the managing office of the company at Sunk House, Launceston Point, Hill Street.

Notes to Reef Prospector

A memorandum issued by Dr. J. C. Feale, Director of Geology, surveys the Tanganyika case. "The whole business of reef prospecting may be likened to a lottery in which individuals are given tickets to check. It means that any one who has a reef to test in an untested area in the Lupia has about as much chance of winning eventually payable as a lottery ticket of winning a prize. By way of a corollary it may be added that the largest amount of tickets taken is by the most intelligent, methodical and industrious prospectors. The rich reef is the exception—the big prize in the lottery. Therefore do not waste money on assays until you have proved by simple tests that the expense incurred thereby will be justified."

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...ground has been gazetted in the Tanganyika Territory.

Important holdings of white and black are being prospected in Mozambique.

Despite the depression, the British Golf Club has increased its membership, which is now 132.

Two reconditioned fire engines formerly operated by the London Fire Brigade are being shipped to Uganda.

A new cinema building, 'The Picture Palace', at South Barracks is to be named the 'Blue Nile Cinema'.

The Nairobi Municipal Council on March 11th passed a resolution to purchase further capital land immediately for accommodation.

Yoff Estate, Aburia, a whole property of 1,235 hectares and with 200 acres of forest, was recently sold in public auction in Arusha.

The immigration return of Nyasaland for November shows 1,200 Europeans, 1,000 in the Protectorate, while twenty new settlers arrived.

The Kenya Game Department is to reduce the cost of a full visitor's licence from £10 to £7.5, and to introduce a new fourteen days licence costing £1.

During the year 1933-34 16 visitors with Tanganyika Territory, 100 commercial migrants numbered 63, of whom 18 were German, 17 British, and 13 Swiss.

The total export of trade of Tanganyika for 1933 amounted to £2,322,562, compared with £2,100,147 in 1932. Imports amounted to £1,726,187, against £1,875,374.

Mr. Joseph Barn, recently formally opened the three Changamwe reservoirs near Mombasa. Two have a capacity of 10,000 gallons each and the third holds 1,000,000 gallons.

Increased duties are to be levied on the following imports into the Belgian Congo: spirits, beer, wearing apparel, tissues containing natural silk or rayon, tissues of cotton or all kinds, unbleached, bleached or manufactured.

The Postmaster-General of South Africa has reduced the rate of all mail postage to Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika by one penny per half-ounce in the case of letters and a halfpenny in respect of postcards.

The Tanganyika Tax on Imported Packages Order exempts the following goods from the tax of 25 cents per package levied on imported packages by airway and sea-way rails: iron bars, except when packed, and steel or iron plates, except when

street lighting charges in Nairobi have been reduced to Shs. 67.54 cents per 1,000 watts from Shs. 68.12 cents, as the result of an agreement between the Nairobi Municipal Council and the East African Power and Lighting Company Limited.

...Department of Kenya made... may become a most important... for export as it has many valuable... It is hoped to eliminate its... tendency to warp, and to overcome the difficulty of... maturing.

The total value of imports into Mozambique during 1932 is now announced to have amounted to £2,255,542, as against £3,203,723 in 1931. The total value of merchandise imported during the first six months of 1933 was £1,000,000, as against £1,134,000 in the same period of 1932.

The great sales made by Japan in the export of artificial silk piece goods to East Africa are shown by statistics just issued. Kenya and Uganda, for instance, imported 3,288,000 yards during the first ten months of 1933, out of which Japan sent 3,102,247 yards and Great Britain 15,286. Tanganyika imported during the first eleven months of last year 3,360,000 yards, of which Japan sent 3,276,000 yards and the U.K. only 4,000 yards.

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East African Market Reports

COFFEE

Market was irregular at last week's auctions, but East African prices remained fully steady.

Kenya	1905 od
"A" size	185 od. to 190 od.
"B" size	180 od. to 185 od.
Peaberry	195 od. to 190 od.

Greenish and add	195 od.
London cleaned	195 od.
First size	195 od.
Second size	195 od.
Third size	195 od.
Peaberry	195 od.

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First size	195 od.
Second size	195 od.
Peaberry	195 od.

London stocks of East African coffee on March 26 totalled 84,487 bags, compared with 84,000 bags on the corresponding date of last year.

OTHER MARKETS

Castor Seed—Quiet, with East African unchanged at £0 5s. per ton (1933: £1 17s. 6d.; 1932: £1 17s. 6d.).

Cloves—Quiet, Zanzibar spot quoted at £3 5s. and March-April 1934 per lb. (1933: £1 0s. 10d.; 1932: £1 0s. 10d.).

Copper—Rather heavy, £103 6s. ad. for standard for cash.

Cotton—Small business at between 51d. and 71d. according to quality. (1933: 51d.; 1932: 51d.).

The total amount of cotton put on record from East Africa in 1933 was 10,828 bales of 400 lbs. (1932: 10,828 bales of 400 lbs.).

Gold—Steady at 136 5d. per oz.

Groundnuts—Dull and lower at £17 15s. per ton (1933: £17; 1932: £17 10s.).

Hides—Quiet, with East African No. 1 for March-April quoted at 51d. per lb.

Wool—Quiet, with East African No. 1 for March-April quoted at £7 10s., April-June at £17 12s. 6d., and Nos. 2

and 3 at £15 10s. and £17 10s. per ton respectively. Kenya exported 5,274 tons of wool during February, of which 1,778 tons went to Belgium, 1,478 to the U.K., 1,478 to Great Britain.

Kenya exported 60 packages of Nyasaland and 60 packages of Kenya, each an average of 15 cwt. per lb. last week. (1933: 60; 1932: 60).

Nyasaland exported 58,600 lb. of tea during February. During January Kenya exported 80,275 lb. of tea valued at £1,100.

The new Rhodesian crop is showing favour and the buyers are likely to bid more dark to light than in 1933. The 1934 crop is expected to be 10 per cent. more than 1933, and on April 6, 1934, medium bright 15d. to 16s.

East African Mails

Mails for Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika and Zanzibar leave for the C.P.O. London, at 6 p.m. on March 27 per S.S. Ramona, Apr. 5, 6, 8, 11, Mauritius, Chaulilly, onwards mails for East Africa are expected on March 31 by S.S. "Empire" and on April 6 by the S.S. "Contessa".

Dar es Salaam's New Power Station

I think Government will take over the electrical supply of Dar es Salaam to Major Walsh's company," said D. L. Fardine, the Acting Engineer, at his last public function in Tanganyika. He opened the Rufesidi Power Station, one of the most important industrial undertakings yet carried out in the capital. Major General Walsh and Colonel Marcus W. Maxwell, directors of the company, were present, and Major Walsh intimated that the scheme for the utilisation of the power of the Rufesidi Falls would be launched almost immediately to provide electrical energy for all sisal and other estates and townships on a "cost plus" basis of 300 per cent. in circumstances.

Distribution rates in Rhodesia

Messrs. Macmurgas, Ltd., of Kadomo, Northern Rhodesia, have succeeded in their application against the Railways in connexion with distribution rates. The Railways Commission found that the distribution charges complained of amounted to undue preference, and ordered the Railways to desist from subjecting the companies to undue and unreasonable prejudice and disadvantage in respect of the carriage of trade goods. The Commission was not satisfied that there was any alternative to the existing system of distribution which would encourage the country distribution without seriously affecting one district to another, nor was it satisfied that the inequality complained of could not be removed without unduly reducing the rates to the complainants, nor that the granting of distribution privileges would result in the companies in a serious loss of revenue. The Railways were directed to remove the charges complained of, and the Commission's decision was noted by the Railway Board.

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Port Said to Mombasa.
Mr. F. E. Payne

Tanga.
Major & Mrs. H. C. Brown

Dar es Salaam.
Mr. & Mrs. H. W. Clarke
Mrs. B. Evans
Mr. W. F. Malden
Mr. J. Schofield

Genoa to Dar es Salaam.
Mr. D. Daniels

Beira.
Major & Mrs. A. Allott
Mr. F. B. Bett
Miss P. M. Bett
Capt. & Mrs. J. C. Ramsay
Miss A. Ramsay
Mr. H. C. Tapplett
Miss M. G. Winter

Genoa to Beira.
Inland - Miss F. M. Rose

Gibraltar to Mombasa.
Mr. R. H. W. Widdowson

Marseilles to Mombasa.
Lt. H. A. Borradaile
Mr. M. G. de Courcy

British India

Maldia "left" Pt. Said homewds., March 23.
Madiana "left" Beira outwds., March 23.
Madara "left" Beira outwds., March 23.
Maitra "left" Bombay outwds. for Durban, March 22.
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Discovery "left" Beira homewds., March 20.
City of Cardiff "left" Mombasa homewds., March 20.
Clan MacLachlan "left" Beira outwds., March 24.
Colonial "left" Beira outwds., March 24.
City of Swansea "left" Beira outwds., March 24.

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Springfontein "left" Beira for F. Africa, March 20.
Meliskerk "left" Southampton homewds., March 19.
Rico "left" Antwerp for E. Africa, March 20.

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

Comtesse "left" Djibouti homewds., March 19.
Exploitation "left" Beira homewds., March 19.
Leconte "left" Beira outwds., March 19.

UNION CASTLE

Dundrum "left" Cape Town homewds., March 20.
Dundrum "left" Algoa Bay homewds., March 20.
Dundrum "left" Beira for E. Africa, March 20.
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RAINFALL IN EAST AFRICA.

H.M. Eastern African Dependencies, Trade and Information Office in London has received the following details of rainfall in the territories during the periods indicated:

Kenya (Week ended March 13).—Koror, 2.04 inches; Nganda (1 week ended March 11).—Entebbe, 0.22 inch; Fort Portal, 1.04; Hoima, 0.54; Kabale, 0.60; Kolofo, 0.40; Lira, 0.22; Sibarara, 0.34; Mubende, 1.37; Nana-sagali, 1.07; Soroti, 0.20 inch.

Dungu (Week ended March 12).—Amali, 16.8 millimetres; Arasha, 11.2; Biharamulo, 4.8; Bukoba, 28.2; Dar es Salaam, 29.3; Dodoma, 22.0; Iringa, 33.4; Kifusa, 10.5; Kiwa, 25.6; Lindi, 24.6; Mahenge, 12.8; Mbeja, 32.0; Morogoro, 24.2; Mwanza, 27.8; Tanga, 24.0; Lukuyu, 27.4; and Uteje, 25.6 millimetres.


Northern Rhodesia.—Broken Hill, 4.15 inches.

Southern Rhodesia.—The High Commissioner in London has received the following rainfall totals for the week ended March 13: Bulawayo, 2.70 inches; Salisbury, 0.92; Victoria, 1.30; Gwelo, 2.20; Selukwe, 1.25; Capetown, 0.75; Kimberley, 1.84; Glendale, 0.96; Salisbury, 0.75; Sinoia and Sipololo, 1.40 inches.

Tourists in Nairobi.

Over 100 tourists from the sea-land route are on a world tour, made a brief visit to Nairobi when the vessel called at Mombasa recently. The special train which conveyed the party to Nairobi was met at the station by an Mayor and Deputy Mayor. A party of 100 motor-cars then took the visitors for a drive round the Kenya capital. On the following day the party paid to Kuvu, Limuru and Kiambu. Two royal princesses, Princess Feodora and the Princess Alexandra were among the party.

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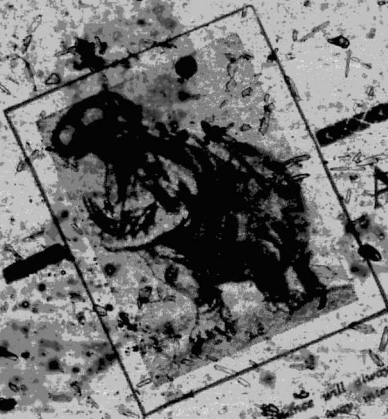
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MATTERS OF MOMENT.

When we wrote on the German Colonial question, we said that Herr Hitler's speeches and writings within the past year indicated a growing conviction on his part that Germany must discard African and Colonial possessions and that he had apparently made up his mind not to risk a quarrel with Great Britain over this matter, but that he had admittedly been embarrassed in the prosecution of this policy by the German Colonial Association, supported by some of his own chosen lieutenants, who, however, have been noticeably less active of late. A significant article has now been supplied to the German Press by Herr Müller-Boedner, a member of the personal staff of the Reich Minister for Agriculture, Herr Darré, who writes in the *Express* and who has strongly supported Herr Hitler's declarations that Germany's home lies in Europe, rather than overseas. Herr Müller-Boedner severely criticises the propaganda which is already beginning in connection with the arrangements for the celebration of the fifth anniversary of the founding of Germany's first Reich, which commences on July 8, in a "German Colonial Memorial Day." The danger of these celebrations, says the writer, would be small if they were confined to those whose eyes are riveted on the East, but unfortunately the gaze of German youth is being deflected from the vital question of Germany's destiny, which lies in Europe, not overseas, recalling that Bismarck fully realised that the East did not exist being dragged in the way of the enthusiasm for African possessions. He asserts that the present Colonial policy of Germany has finally abandoned and that Hitler's youth must no longer be fed with Colonial romanticism. The German Colonial Association has now become the third item of Herr Hitler's National Socialist programme, lays down the German rights in Colonies, and that the jubilee

celebrations are intended not merely to pay respect to tradition, but also to express the Colonial will of the nation.

No paper published in the English language has so consistently kept its readers informed of the course of German Colonial propaganda in Germany as *East Africa*, which from now opposes the closest possible study of the Colonial question as represented in the German Press and from direct information from various quarters in Germany. It believes that the Colonial Party in Reich is much less strongly supported than it was even a few months ago, and that there is a definite swing of public opinion towards the Hitler policy of the renunciation of agitation for the restoration of Germany's pre-War possessions. The final word taken by the British Government in its categorical pronouncement on the subject in Berlin, hence Oberlin, an important effect in Berlin, hence Oberlin, Bausatz promptly dispatched to the Nazi Government with German agitation in Tanganyika. The vigorous manner in which he fulfilled his mission clearly suggests that the German Dictator has made up his mind, and will not have opposition. If the majority of the German Colonial propagandists are strengthened by staple British sentimentalism, it is a prominent example of such a crowd attention last week they will no doubt be grateful to the British Government, and blessed in his *leibschichte* to use a word, always approves and it is to be hoped that so that Africans will indicate the issue by editing, the suggestion, even an idle conversation that the German Colonies will be the subject of the Mandate by the British.

Some Statements Worth Noting

EAST AFRICA'S

WHO'S WHO

1937—Lieutenant-Colonel Hugh Frederic Stoneham, O.B.E.

Pets of all kinds, from lions to dogs, may be found in Kenya. The brochure issued by the Njoro Settlement Committee.

One motor firm in Kenya has sold last year 1000 cars and 2000 motorcycles. Mr. L. D. Gordon-Fenzi, at the annual meeting of the R.E.A.A.

Lawyers are regarded in Kenya as a particular breed of witch doctors. Mr. A. de V. ... speaking at the annual dinner of the Sussex Law Society.

There is something in the nature of the Kayiroto which seems to make them peculiarly sensitive to religious frenzy. From an article in 'The Times' ... their Nairobi correspondent.

It is hard to conceive that there are millions of people all over the world who have never heard of Rhodesia. But this is a fact. 'Canuk' writes to the 'Rhodesia Herald' on the need for more advertising.

The African from coast to coast believes in, and practices, the white man's code from the cradle to the grave. Lieutenant Colonel R. H. Elliot, M.D., F.R.C.S., writing in 'Blackwood's Magazine'.

While it always cost at least ten times as much to construct as roads, the operating cost is only one-third of those of road transport. Dr. J. W. Spiller, in a paper read before the Institution of Civil Engineers.

At home if a man went out and fired at the moon he would probably be certified. In Rhodesia people would probably remark that it must cost him a lot for ammunition. Dr. K. M. Rooder, addressing Bulawayo Harbours.

By compulsory selling through co-operatives of pig, maize and cattle industries can all be established on a firm basis. 'The Campaigner', writing to 'The Longsons Mail' on the need for compulsory co-operation in Northern Rhodesia.

In this territory we have all been good companions when in, and so many races, many tongues, and so many interests, we might only have found ourselves exchanging bed-fellows. Mr. D. J. ... at a farewell luncheon in Dar es Salaam.

During the past ten years goods valued at ££3,000,000 have been exported into the Sudan from Japan, while exports from the Sudan to that country during the same period amounted to only ££200,000. The Sudan Chamber of Commerce.

The appreciation of natural beauty has no place in the soul of an animal. The happiness of some of them seems to lie in the rapidity with which they can dispatch the picturesque place to have spent much labour in making for them. Mr. T. H. Gillespie, Director of the Edinburgh Zoo, in his new book 'Is It Cruel?'

Statement Worth Nothing

We shall cycle along the ... African coast to Cairo, and then follow the ... African coast to the Cape. ... Mr. O'Neill, is to ... Africa from England, ...



... 1900 commissioned to the ... Regiment. Sent to France in 1914, he was present at Mons through the Retreat, and at the battle of the Marne, being severely wounded. ... and awarded the O.B.E. In 1916 he went to East Africa to General Smuts's ... staff, and in 1918 was transferred to Mesopotamia. After the War he was attached to the General Staff of the Northern Command, and then spent three years from 1924 with the ... Battalion of the ... commanding the garrison on the Abyssinian frontier. ... coffee in the ... district of Kenya. A keen student of zoology (and entomology), he built up large collections of East African birds, mammals, and insects, and in 1924 founded in Nairobi the Museum and Research Centre for the Advancement of Science and the Sarakaya. ... co-operating with ... in the study of African fauna and flora. He is Corresponding Fellow for Kenya of the Royal Anthropological Institute and the American Ornithologists' Union, a Fellow of the Zoological Society and the Royal Entomological Society, and a Member of the British ... Union. ... was co-editor of 'The ...'

PERSONALIA

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Castellan, are on holiday in Bordighera.

Mrs. Ernest Walker has arrived from Kenya, and is staying in Buntingford.

Mr. S. V. Cooke, the Tanganyika District Officer, is now on leave from Lindi.

The Bishop of Central Tanganyika, Dr. G. Chambers, has arrived in London.

Mr. P. W. Tyson, formerly Government Printer in Nyasaland, has passed away in this country.

Mr. A. Pickup, of the Northern Rhodesia Police, was recently married in Cape Town to Miss Dorothy Saw.

Mr. A. ("Cath") Miles, who has been in hospital in Nairobi for some months, is on his way home.

Mr. G. V. Ryan, M.C., recently gave up his job as District Officer in the town of the Nuba Mountains.

Mr. J. G. Brown, now manager of the London branch of the National Bank (D.C. & D.), is expected home on leave very shortly.

The Hon. Arthur M. Asquith, a director of Sudan Plantations, has been elected a director of the Westminster Bank.

Mr. R. J. Hall, Acting Governor of Nyasaland, following the promotion of Sir Hubert Young to Northern Rhodesia.

Lord and Lady Buxton, who visited Ethiopia some time ago, have been suffering from whooping cough, but are now recovering.

Commander R. M. Reynolds, R.N.R., travelling commissioner of the Royal Air Force, was in Nyasaland during the week.

Joseph Sheehan, who is to succeed Sir John Baines as Chief Justice of Nyasaland, is on his way home via the Nile route.

Mrs. E. Reid, wife of the author of "Tanganyika without Prejudice," leaves Tanganyika today for Amber Castle, England.

Mr. Theodore David Walker, who has been appointed Crown Counsel in Kenya, has left England to take up his new appointment.

General Alexander and Lady Rodley, who are visiting Nyasaland and the Rhodesias, are due to leave for the East for England on April 10.

Mr. Alexander MacIntyre, chairman and managing director of the Sudan Plantations Syndicate, has just completed his annual visit to the Sudan.

Mrs. Ishmael, on her way back to Uganda by sea, accompanied by her little son, Mr. Ishmael, left for Kampala by air with her husband.

Sir John and Lady Sledgeham Allen are on their way home from Australia and New Zealand by the way of the Suez Canal, travelling via the Panama Canal.

Mr. F. Sturmiss, who for the past four years has been manager of the Khartoum branch of the National Bank of Egypt, has been transferred to Cairo.

The Rev. J. A. Clayton, founder of the A.I., is leaving by air for Africa for Iraq, after which visit he intends to go to Rhodesia to join Sir Herbert Stanley.

We are glad to hear that Colonel W. K. Tucker of Nairobi, has completely recovered his health. Mrs. Tucker and he have returned to Kenya from Turban.

Lieutenant-Commander H. F. Howard, who has purchased a farm in the Timau District of Kenya, has imported into Nairobi some very good stock from South Africa.

Last week we announced that the appointment of Mr. S. S. Abrahams, the Chief Justice of Tanganyika was impending. The official announcement has since been made.

Mr. Guy Lobb, of Anson, who was born and educated in Northern Rhodesia, has been appointed chauffeur to Government House, Livingstone. He is eighteen years of age.

The Hon. J. W. Downie, High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia, is expected to reach London on April 22. Mr. Downie and Miss Downie have already returned from their visit to Africa.

Mr. J. G. Contreas, who has resigned the Presidency of the Hellenic Community in East London, having held that office for the past twenty years. He has been succeeded by Mr. Metaxas.

Major G. O'Moore, of the 2nd Battalion Gordon Highlanders, is on his way out to Uganda to take over the command of the 4th K.A.R. In the past he served with the 2nd K.A.R. in Tanganyika.

Mr. J. R. Green, representative in East Africa of Messrs. Cooper & Stephens, S.A. (Pty.), Ltd., is now in England on holiday, hopes to return to Kenya in June, travelling via South Africa.

Mr. William Gowers, to preside at a meeting of the Royal Empire Society on April 10, at which Sir Alan Watts will speak on "Some Problems of the British Dependencies and Territories in Africa."

Mr. C. H. Symonds, son of the Rev. F. and Mrs. Symonds of Woking, and Miss Alice Mary (Pat) Thompson, second daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, were recently married in Nairobi.

We regret to report the deaths in Brussels of Mr. J. H. Jeffes, O.B.E., formerly of the Sudan Civil Service, and in Nairobi of Mr. John Frederick (Shir) McClelland, headmaster of the W. A. S. School, Nakuru.

Mr. A. R. Westrop, agricultural chemist, to an important concern in Malaya, who has recently been re-elected to the tea areas of Nyasaland, which he first visited in 1927, has arrived home. He will shortly leave England to return to the F.M.S.

Captain John Platt, a director of the Standard Bank of South Africa and managing director of Messrs. John Platt & Company, was in Kenya during mail week. He is expected to arrive back in this country towards the latter part of April.

The memorial being raised in Mombasa to honor Mrs. J. E. Krapp, the pioneer C.M.S. missionary, is likely to be completed within the next few weeks. It is in the form of a Celtic cross, thirty feet high and will be close to the graves of Dr. and Mrs. Krapp.

Major T. A. B. Cockledge, Queen Victoria's Officer in Somaliland, M.C.E.P., Shirik, O.B.E., Assistant District Officer, and Captain W. S. Haynes, Somaliland Cavalry, are now on leave. Major Cockledge will shortly retire from the service.

At a meeting last week arranged jointly by the Royal Society of Arts and the African Society, Miss Margery Perham delivered an interesting address on "Some Problems of Indirect Rule," which was followed by a lively discussion. A report will appear in our next issue.

The first public speech of King Leopold III of Belgium dealt with the Belgian Congo. It was made when His Majesty presided at the inaugural meeting of the National Institute of the Agronomic Study of the Belgian Congo, of which he had just been elected to accept the Presidency.

Lord and Lady Amphilh have left England for Egypt, where Lord Amphilh, as Pro Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of English Freemasons, will install Dr. Gomme, Bishop of Egypt and the Sudan, as District Grand Master of the District Grand Lodge of Egypt and the Sudan.

Mr. R. B. Richardson, of the Secretariat, Dar es Salaam, and Miss Helen Naomi Crawford, daughter of Lieutenant Colonel F. Crawford, C.B.E., J.P., and Mrs. Crawford of Malone, Belfast, are to be married in Dar es Salaam in May. Mr. Richardson returned to Tanganyika from leave in November last.

Dr. Henry Wellock, F.R.S., Governing Director of the Wellcome Foundation, and founder of the famous Hartoum Laboratories, has been awarded the Remondet Honorary Medal of the U.S.A., the highest professional award in pharmacology. His many East African friends will be delighted at the further recognition of his work.

Mr. H. A. Mackenzie, Hon. Secretary of the Highland Society in Scotland, has been married in London to Miss Mabel Gedding. Mr. Mackenzie, who now lives in Edinburgh, is well known locally as a Scoutmaster and as Hon. Secretary and Treasurer of the district branch of the British Legion. His wife is a captain of the Girl Guides.

Mr. Tommy Cairns, known to most people in Uganda as Hon. Secretary of the Uganda Golf Club and of the Kampala branch of the Caledonia Society, has arrived home on leave, accompanied by Mrs. Cairns and their son.

Mr. J. F. Holloway, who served in East Africa during the Campaign, and who is now President of the Bristol Junior Philatelic Club, showed a collection of African stamps before the Club last week and lectured on East Africa.

When reporting the marriage in Jersey of Mr. G. Stevens, we mentioned that he had been stationed in Batotege throughout his service, whereas it is his brother, Mr. G. R. Stevens, who has spent all his time in that Province. Mr. G. Stevens joined the service in 1913 and has been stationed only at Mukushi, Ndoko, and Nkana in the Luangwa Province.

Outward passengers by yesterday's air mail to East Africa included Miss Jean Breeden and Mrs. Geradin, Paris; Eluba, Mr. Foster, London to Nairobi; Mr. Halloway to Mbeya; and Mr. Maxwell, Mr. Squires and Mr. Tinsley, to Salisbury. Inward passengers today included Mrs. Torrey and Mr. and Mrs. Cadbury, from Nairobi; Mr. Warner, from Kosti; and Mr. Ingham, from Khartoum.

At the recent annual meeting of the Irish Society of Tanganyika Dr. H. J. O'D. Burke-Gaffney was elected President, with Major P. E. L. Gethin, A.F.C., as Vice-President. Mr. J. J. Craig-McFeely was re-elected Hon. Secretary for the fifth year, and Mr. J. H. McQuade Hon. Treasurer. In view of his services to the Society since its foundation by Joseph Sheehan, he was elected a Patron. The Society now has seventy members.

The Mombasa Sports Club has elected the following officers for 1927: *President*, Mr. C. E. Fannin; *Vice-President*, Mr. E. L. Relf; *Hon. Secretary*, Mr. G. McBurn; *Hon. Treasurer*, Mr. J. A. King; *Management Committee*, Mr. Justice Webb, Messrs. S. H. Fazan, D. Pollock, J. Thompson, and R. E. Swiss. The Captains for the various games are: tennis, R. E. Swiss; cricket, W. M. Saunders; "Soccer," J. M. Greenhill; "Rugger," A. E. Mackinnon; hockey, R. S. Adcock.

New Kenya Legislature.

At the moment of closing the press we are without news of the results of the pollings for European Members in Kenya. Yesterday's *Times* however, contains the following paragraph from its Nairobi correspondent: "Polling for the European seats in the Legislative Council took place this week-end. The Council will constitute with the announcement in the middle of the month the results of pollings for the Indian seats. There will be 'net' changes in the ranks of the European members, two having been defeated, and three not having sought reelection. There were contests in seven constituencies. The poll was the heaviest in Nairobi, history of the Colony, being particularly heavy in Nairobi, where the 'Service vote' a formidable factor, was largely but unsuccessfully used to elect candidates most closely identified with the local business community. It is generally agreed that the candidates elected are a strong and well-balanced one, and likely to work harmoniously under the leadership of Mr. Francis Scott."

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister East Africa in the House.

To be Entertained to London-Luncheon

SIR PHILIP CUNLIFFE-LISTER, Secretary of State for the Colonies, and Lady Cunliffe-Lister, who have recently returned from East Africa, are to be entertained to luncheon by the East African Group of the Over-Seas League on Friday, April 20, at the Holborn Restaurant. Mr. R. S. Joelson, Chairman of the Group, will preside. Tickets (6s. 10d.) may be obtained from the Hon. Luncheon Secretary, Mr. S. S. Murray, c/o H.M. Eastern African Dependencies' Trade and Information Office, Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, East Africans at home all other interested in the Territories are cordially invited to attend, and to apply for tickets as soon as possible.

On Thursday, April 19, Sir Richard Rankine, British Resident in Zanzibar, will address the Group at Vernon House, Park Place, St. James's St. "The Romance of Zanzibar."

The Influence of Negro Music.

PROFESSOR LEONIER HALL of Atlanta University, who is studying in England, gave a delightful talk at Friends' House last week on the influence of Negro music.

He started by urging that the Negro races have a superior kind of mentality that has learnt to endure all kinds of punishment without seeking to hit back, and that the brain capacity of the freed man in America has proved astonishing. Recognition of the musical ability of the Negro had to some extent overcame prejudice. The Negroes were a breath of new African music developed under the new conditions in America. There was considerable controversy as to their origin, and they may have had considerable admixtures from the hymns of the European races, but on the whole they seemed African in origin. They are imaginative and their music is musical purity.

Professor Hall referred to "nigger minstrel" some times considered to be of Negro origin, but fully born in the hearts of the whites, and endeavoring to exaggerate the characteristics of Negroes. It was not a finer effort, like spirituals, but rather one tending to degrade. Jazz was likewise of foreign origin in which Negroes took part simply because it was remunerative. Neither had influenced the white races towards better racial feelings as had the spirituals.

We have to apologise for a slip, luckily a very obvious one, in our Matter of Moment last week on the subject of Rhodesian and Nyasaland tobacco. The figures for pipe tobacco consumption in Great Britain should, of course, have read fifty million, and not fifty thousand, pounds.

Native Matters Inquiry.

Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, replying to Sir Edward Grey, said that the possibility of modernising the defences of the East African Territories by co-operation between the land and air forces was being examined. The result of this inquiry he gave during his recent visit.

Mr. BANFIELD asked the composition of the Committee in Kenya which considered the Bill to amend the law relating to the acquisition and whether the proposals now before the House were submitted for the same purpose to the African Councils and Native Commissions. Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister replied that the committee which was set up consisted of the Attorney-General, the African Councils, the Provincial Commissioner, the Legislative Council, and the Native Commissions. Mr. G. Kenneth Archer, Mr. H. Wilson, Mr. Conway Harvey and Captain J. B. Wilson. The proposals which had been circulated were merely a preliminary draft, which did not represent the final views of the Committee. When a draft Bill was submitted to Government by the Committee and it was felt that Native interests would be fully considered, the Provincial Commissions, after consultation, if necessary, with the Local Native Councils, conferred, before the Bill was brought before the Legislative Council.

Lighterage Charges on Tanganyika.

Asked by Mr. Noel whether he could appoint a Board of Inquiry into lighterage charges on Tanganyika since the present inquiry conducted by the officials of Tanganyika Railways does not meet with public opinion, the Secretary of State replied:

The arrangements for handling cargo at the ports of Dar es Salaam and Zanzibar are governed by agreements with the Tanganyika Land and Shipping Company, Ltd., which acts as agent for the Railway Administration as regards lighterage, etc. The agreements remain current for ten years from 1931, but if it is provided that the agreement of the agent may be reviewed at the end of every three years. The present inquiry is being held for that purpose, and arrangements have been made whereby bodies in this country interested in the working of the ports will be consulted before a decision is taken. I have asked the Governor to nominate a representative of the local firms and institutions. As regards the charges to the public for wharfage, etc., the Railway Administration has power to vary these at any time, and I am asking the Governor to give views on a request which has been made locally that these should form the subject of a special inquiry at an early date.

Easter in Livingstone is always a gay time, but this year the presence of N.J.R.H. Prince George at Government House made an occasion a particularly notable one. A swimming gala, with first-class entries from the Union and Southern Rhodesia, featured largely in the programme, and there were to be "Rugger" and hockey matches and other sports, a moonlight fête and dances at the Falls Hotel and in Livingstone.

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Dairying Prospects in Kenya.

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SIR JOSEPH BYRNE, Governor of Kenya, opened the new Thomson's Falls Creamery on March 26. He said:

"Unorganised agriculture throughout the world is placed at a disadvantage by the scattered distribution and the small scale of individual producing units. As the raising power is small, and its products unstandardised, co-operation is the only practical means of overcoming these disadvantages. Without co-operation in dairying but local stagnation is possible. With it the market of the world is opened as by a magic key."

"Some dairy farmers will be tempted to remain outside the co-operative movement, but as the export of dairy produce from Kenya has come to stay, it is clear that only by supporting the Co-operative Creameries, which have gone to great expense in providing cold storage facilities for the growth of the industry be maintained."

"The Thomson's Falls factory is the fourth in the Colony, and the most up-to-date in the Colony, being equipped by hydro-electric plant from the Nile."

"It is impossible to doubt that with a more extensive area of arable forage crops, which no country in the world has been able to produce in quantity, the production of butter fat could be increased to an enormous extent. It has to get away from the raising idea, and realise the possibilities inherent in the land. When milk production is as high as it is in the colonies which have not these advantages, it is as to the volume of supply."

"The transition from the bush method of stock raising and milk production, that of better systems of animal husbandry and disease control, is one of the most interesting developments in some of our Reserves, resulting in production of dairy products from such sources. It will come, this co-operation between European and native producers. It will regenerate the economic development which is so vital to the Colony."

Race Relations in Kenya.

The newly formed Race Relations Committee of the Kenya Missionary Council has prepared a statement of its functions, and aims, as submitted to the Secretary of State. The main object is the elucidation of African interests, with a view to securing the sympathetic understanding of the other races in Kenya. It is hoped that the Committee will form a channel of consultation between Africans and all their friends on the Legislative Council and elsewhere, so that the true views and wishes of the Africans, and the facts on which they are based, may become widely known in the Colony, and be dealt with to the satisfaction of all without that premature discussion overseas on partial and sometimes inaccurate information which has sometimes given rise to bitter feelings and acrimonious comments.

One of the main problems to which the Committee has given attention is the adequate representation of African views on the Legislative Council. Believing that one man alone is unable properly to carry out such an important task, the Committee has proposed a team of three, which would entail the addition of two extra nominated members. The handicap of having only one representative of African interests is particularly noticeable in debate and such interests also need more insistent representation in Select Committees than is at present possible.

Without recording official recognition, the Governor has expressed his willingness that all have an equal and considerable representation of the Committee.

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Prince George in Rhodesia.

Birchenough Bridge to be Built

On Saturday last Prince George concluded his visit to Southern Rhodesia by crossing across the Victoria Falls Bridge into Northern Rhodesia, where he was officially received by the Governor Sir Hubert Young, and representative citizens. The Zambesi being in flood, the Prince saw the Falls at their best, and at night was fortunate enough to see a full moon and a fine lunar rainbow. In Livingstone the Prince presented walking sticks to five chiefs.

In Bulawayo the Prince inspected a parade of ex-Servicemen demanded by the Hon. H. J. G. Gifford, the Colonial Secretary, and on the show ground a war-dance by Masalati tribe. One of the gifts presented to His Highness was a five-year-old grandson of Mosilikwe.

When the Prince went to the Matopos to visit the grave of Rhodes, upon which he placed a wreath, he was accompanied by Sir James McDonald, a former associate of the founder of Rhodesia, and now President of the Chamber of Mines. At the Alan Wilson Memorial Prince George met Mr. J. W. Wilson, a younger brother of Major Alan Wilson, who was visiting the Memorial.

At a banquet in Umtali the Prince announced that a bridge to be known as the Birchenough Bridge after Sir Henry Birchenough, Chairman of the Beit Trusts and President of the British South Africa Company, is to be built forthwith by the Beit Trustees across the Sabi river five miles south of the junction with the Odra, thus providing a much-needed air weather route from the Bechuanaland borders of Bulawayo, from which the Maitsetse district has been cut off from direct communication for about two-thirds of the year. The bridge will cost £125,000, will be the largest steel-arched bridge in Africa, will rank with Sydney Harbour Bridge amongst the largest of the kind in the world, and will be completed within about twelve months. It will be 1,100 ft. long and 25 ft. wide.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Massed Buffalo Charges

An Explanation Suggested

To the Editor of "East Africa"
Sir, With reference to the letter on "Massed Buffalo Charges" in your issue of January 25 (page 207) is not the probable explanation something as follows?

The herd has been disturbed by something downwind from them. They know not what it is, nor its exact position, and their instinct is to get into the much better strategical position of being able to scent the enemy. To accomplish this they take a charge and bolt straight downwind when right over and close to the hunter.

Once well past him, and now knowing all about his position, their attitude changes from panic to mastery of the situation and to an easy movement away of the hunter person in the attempt to come to terms with them.

M. W. ... Yours faithfully, A. B. Hornby

Coincidences in Meeting

India, Nairobi and London

To the Editor of "East Africa"

The letters you have published concerning coincidences prompt me to send you the following.

In 1917 I was serving with an Indian Regiment in the Punjab. Thirteen years later I visited Nairobi, and the day following my arrival a brother officer, whom I had never seen, and who was with me of the same Regiment, called to see me. Though his name was well known to me in a business capacity in England, I had never before identified him with myself.

When I saw him I was able to tell him of an even more interesting coincidence. Myself, A. and I said goodbye in India in 1919, two other mutual friends, B and C, were present and before leaving country for East Africa, one of them, B, tracked me down in London. Together we went for a motor drive when at an important crossing the policeman held us up, as he signalled me forward the "bobby" called me by name. He was

None of us had had any communication for thirteen years.

Yours faithfully, ...

To the Editor of "East Africa"

Sir, With regard to the account under the heading "A Scare in Zanzibar" in your issue of November 30, may not the explanation be somewhat simpler than is suggested?

In 1931 my imagination was in one of the north-eastern districts of Northern Rhodesia brought into contact with some cases of which strange Natives had been assaulted by locals under the impression that the former were emissaries of a certain band called "Honyoma" (The Killers), whose object was the acquisition for their employers of brains and blood of Natives. This scare died out after a short time, especially when the chief were taken to arrest any Natives found spreading such rumours.

Knowing what inveterate gossips and care-mongers Natives are, because to the conclusion that the rumour arose from distorted accounts which had drifted down through Native channels from the neighbourhood of the Amant Research Station or some similar institution which was possibly conducting experiments of a scientific nature too remote for Native understanding.

On reading in your issue of November 16 an account of the investigations being conducted by Dr. Gordon in connexion with brain studies of East African Natives, it occurred to me that this may have something to do both with the Zanzibar and the Northern Rhodesia scare.

Yours faithfully,

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Faulty Local Colour

Slips of an East African Author

To the Editor of "East Africa"

"The Second Wind" is a readable yarn of the Northern Frontier of Kenya, but I am surprised that Captain F. A. M. Webster, having seen a place with the F. A. M. R., should be guilty of a number of slips of the pen which an author with personal experience of East Africa should have been proof.

His chief fault is to send his heroine to Kenya to shoot the white rhinoceros, an animal so near extinction that it is drastically protected in Uganda.

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where the few remaining specimens are mainly to be found. Am I not correct in thinking that not one is known to exist in Kenya? They most certainly can't be shot at the N.S.D. The book states that the expedition was undertaken after the Imperial Airways service was in regular operation, so the reference is not to the past.

The author writes of the K.A.R. being cut up by the Germans at "Namatukuru" P.E.A. in June 1918. "Namatukuru" is the usual English spelling. He makes the Arab Rifles see active service in Somaliland. Surely they never left Kenya?

His Swahili, fortunately scanty, is painful. His houseboys wear *hanzoes*, their affirmative is *indo*; his headman is an *mpura*. Of course, the *safaki* treks across the *viddas*.

Why will writers persist in such errors? If it is too much trouble for them to consult a dictionary cannot they—or their publishers—make a point of getting the proofs read by someone who will safeguard them from betraying their ignorance? I suppose suitable arrangements could be made for a nominal outlay. It would be justified, first by its beneficial effect upon the novelist's reputation, and secondly, by sparing the East African reader the irritation that he now has to suffer in the case of most novels set in his adopted country.

It is a pity to be too hard on Captain Webster, for I found his story quite entertaining. But that shall not prevent me from making this plea for accuracy in local colour.

London, W.11

F. STEPHEN

Yours faithfully,

Natural History Letters.

Does "East Africa" Publish Too Many?

The Editor of "East Africa."

Sir, In spite of "Custodian's" suggestion, I hope you will never cut out letters or articles dealing with what he facetiously calls "crocodiles wiping away tears," or anything to do with wild life. Though he apparently does not care for such matters, a great many of your readers like them; probably, as you say, "five out of ten."

I am not a naturalist, but the letters and articles on such topics which appear in *East Africa* I find extremely interesting. I wish it were possible for you to devote an entire page to the subject every week. "Custodian" need not read it! He is a little drastic in wishing you to omit such items, and so detract from the pleasure of hundreds of other readers. There are bits of reading in every paper that have no particular interest for me, but I would never suggest their omission on that account.

I lived in South Africa for a few years before the War, and I never tire of reading anything about the continent, particularly its wonderful fauna. Having once lived in any part of Africa, the spell remains. To me *East Africa* is a most interesting publication, and I wish it every possible success in the future.

Port Antonio,
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Yours faithfully,
F. C. MARAN

East Africa is my favourite and eagerly read magazine. I am a Tanganyika subscriber.

A Licence to Farm.

Startling Suggestion from South Africa.

To the Editor of "East Africa."

SIR:—The startling and intriguing suggestion was recently made by a correspondent of the leading farming paper in South Africa that farmers should be licensed, that no one who was not on the register of farmers at a given date should be allowed to farm unless he had passed a qualifying examination; he further proposed that a licence should be liable to cancellation or suspension for impracticables, e.g. for incompetence. This would, of course, mean that a number of the weaker farmers would go to the wall, but the compensation claimed is that the standard of farming would go up, that the produce of the land would be of better quality, that farming would cease to be a drag on the country, and that the State would consequently have more money for research work and for veterinary and agricultural inspectors.

Though it is not to be supposed that this idea will commend itself to East Africa, it cannot be denied that many people do not understand farming, pay because they do not understand the business of farming. If that being so, it might be worth considering whether applications for land in East Africa should in future require some standard of knowledge, some proof of training, proficiency or suitability for the calling. A farmer failures do no good to the country or to the individuals concerned, and they do actual harm to the land. The licence suggestion does at any rate give us something to think about.

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EAST AFRICA IN THE PRESS

CRITICISM OUT OF KENYA

MR. J. BOSWELL, whose criticisms of the administration appear sadly erroneous, has recently written to *Times and Tide* a long letter criticising the land policy in Kenya.

If appropriation of other people's land is wrong in England, it is wrong in Kenya. If starvation wages are wrong in England, they are wrong in Kenya. If a child is wrong in England, it is wrong in Kenya. It is right to educate African children. It is right to educate African children. The paragraph sums up his indictment, which concludes with the assertion that "if England does not change her policy, she will one day be forced to leave Africa, as Rome left Turkey and Greece, a wept, unloved and unsung."

As is usually the way with such critics, he is grounded in hopeless, out of focus, "so" "such" that the alienation of land, or, say, coffee, in Kikuyu thirty years ago was comparable to the appropriation of other people's land in England. It is absurd.

His allegation that the best land was appropriated without regard to the rights of the Natives is also absurd. The best land in Kenya is still in Native ownership, and much of the land which was alienated to European settlers in the Colony cannot possibly be held to have been taken from Native rights. Some land alienated to Europeans is now recognised to have been regarded by the Natives as under communal ownership, but as it was unoccupied at the time of its alienation, no one, not even the missionaries or officials, had at that time sufficient knowledge of Native custom to know that there could be any such claim. Moreover, vast

areas of land which other tribes now claim as their own were, at the time of the establishment of the British Empire, the grazing grounds of the Natives. Boswell's reference to "starvation wages" is such an anachronism when compared with "starvation wages in England." Does he not realise that Native employees on East African estates are usually given rations of maize or other means, and not infrequently meat, salt, fruit and other items of diet, and that they have their own gardens on which to grow their own? Is he aware that they get free housing and medical attention? Must he have English conditions and prices in mind when assessing the adequacy of East African wage standards?

To criticise the letter in further detail would take too much space, but enough has been said to reveal the foolishness of the case he attempts to build up, unfortunately, in which to the uninitiated it may appear convincing.

Anganyika's 'Gold Bridge'

A writer in the *London Evening News* says: "When the first bridge over the Anganyika River, Tanganyika, was built in 1928, the excavated level was left to the river banks, where it lay until last year. When a heavy rain fell, it fell down, and the river ran down the road course, gold, which is now working, the first of its kind in the vicinity for the north of the river. The foreman in charge of the construction ordered the necessary stone from a deposit near the bridge. Some time later a mining geologist found this stone to be auriferous quartz, carrying 10% to the ton. He estimated the value of the gold in the bridge at 100,000. 'The Gold Bridge' it has been called. I think the 'Gold Bridge' could be more apt, for the men who built it must have had a good many."

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Nirop's new aeroplane has now been licensed. A new swimming pool has been opened in Port Sudan.

Abercorn had its first Horticultural Show on March 2.

Nyasaland received 75 European visitors during December.

The machine operating on the Bulawayo-Nyasa (Nyasaland) route of Rhodesian and Nyasaland Airways Ltd. is a Westland-Wessex aeroplane.

A feature of the Ideal Home Exhibitions now being held at Olympia, a section devoted to Empire tea growing.

We understand that the British Government is to be in a position to purchase the capital of Northern Rhodesia to be put in hand immediately.

In some time the erection of a coffee curing works in Kishu has been projected. We now learn that the scheme is to be put into operation by a local business house.

The Northern Province Press of Tanganyika, which publishes *The Planter*, last week moved its headquarters from Arusha to Tanga, but is maintaining a branch in Arusha.

Kenyon College, Kenya, is removing from Kijicho to Nairobi, where a site has been obtained in Government House. It is understood that the College will not admit day boys.

Mr. W. Jang'u was recently reported to have taken over the Palace Hotel, Mombasa, from Mr. Schwenke, who has, as a matter of fact, ceased to manage it personally.

Rhodesia Railway, Ltd., of the Mashonaland Railway Company, Ltd., Debenture holders' Committee has granted an extension of the debenture moratorium up to and including May 1935.

During the last quarter of 1934 immigrants entered Northern Rhodesia, 138 from South Africa, 10 from British subjects, 86 from the British Empire, and 20 from Southern Rhodesia British subjects.

The Planter's Group of the Royal Empire Society is to hold a meeting on April 5, at 11 a.m. for a discussion on "Empire Coffee: Development, Production and Marketing." Mr. G. Green is to preside.

The satisfactory prices obtained on the London market for Abercorn's coffee have led to the extension of the planted acreage in a number of estates. The use of iron has been considered as a better experiment.

Exports of coffee of all grades totalled £5,712,200 compared with £5,605,200 in 1932. While those from Kenya showed a slight decrease from £2,282,982 to £2,265,065, Uganda's domestic exports increased from £2,248,878 to £3,189,414.

The 1934 crop of coconuts in the Zanzibar Protectorate are estimated to number 3,850,000 and to occupy 20,000 acres in the island of Zanzibar and 10,000 acres in Pemba. The average yield of nuts is 20 per tree, and it takes 60 days to produce one ton of copra.

The Clove Growers' Association of Zanzibar has published for general information an explanatory note of the methods employed in inspecting cloves exported from the island. The controlling legislation has it down that cloves may not be exported containing more than 5% of extraneous matter or more than 6% of moisture.

With regard to the recent financial position of the company, the board of the Beira Railway Company has decided to pay the interest on the 6% debenture stock which fell due on January 1, 1935, together with interest thereon to the date of payment at the rate of 6% per annum, in accordance with the provisions of the moratorium scheme.

During the past 12 months, says the monthly journal of the Sudan Chamber of Commerce, a distinct improvement in motor-car sales has been noticed, and the demand has enabled dealers not only to clear their stocks of old models but to dispose of a reasonable number of current models. The present stock of cars in the country is barely sufficient to meet the demand.

Under the proposals for new rates of preference on Colonial sugar, which are to be laid before Parliament at an early date, Kenya and Uganda would be jointly allotted a P.R. import quota of 2,900 tons, while that of Mauritius would be 112,400 tons. The scheme, which is intended to remain in operation for three years, is expected to take effect from the introduction of the budget.

The next session of the Tanganyika Legislative Council will open in Dar es Salaam on April 10.

The printed sheets of the Morris Report have recently arrived in this country, and the report will be issued in two volumes.

Kenya's new Council will hold its first session on or about April 24. Definite information about the new Council's civil service is then to be submitted.

S. Rhodesian Parliament

The session of the Southern Rhodesian Parliament, which opens on April 10, will be a short one, as it has to be adjourned in order for Government to be re-elected at the Railway Conference in Cape Town on May 22. In addition to the budget, the Government is hoped to pass three measures, the Budget, the Conciliation Bill, and the Labour Colony Bill. It is not known who will represent the Colony at the Railway Conference.

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Bank Chairman on B.A. Prospects.

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 The outlook in East Africa is encouraging, says the Chairman of the National Bank of India. He will not refer to the price of gold further than to say that there are distinct possibilities in East Africa and in the East Indies. Coffee has a substantial increase in the past few months, while the price of wheat and some other crops are helping to maintain a high level. Protected countries such as sugar and wheat are showing reasonable prosperity and prospects for the year have shown improvement. The young crops of tea are considered to be doing well. In the case of the cotton crop in Uganda, it is likely to be a good one.

A tribute was paid by the Chairman to Mr. A. D. Legat, the only representative in East Africa, who has resigned after ten years' service with the bank, most of which time has been spent in East Africa. They wished him all happiness in his retirement.

Another Bank Reports Better Trade.

The latest monthly review of the Standard Bank of South Africa gives the following information concerning East African trade:

Kenya—Trade has been fairly active in the Mombasa bazaar, due principally to the demand from Uganda for the forthcoming season. The financial tone of the bazaar is satisfactory. Accumulation of old stocks has been cleared, and with only light imports of cotton piece goods stocks on hand are normal.

Uganda—There has been a distinct improvement in the wholesale trade.

Tanganyika—Owing to the fact that the rainy season has begun up-country, and that it is the between-season period, trade in the bazaar generally is becoming slack.

Of Interest to Coffee Growers

East African coffee growers will learn with interest that a group of British holders of the 7 1/2% Bonds of the Sao Paulo Coffee Institute are contemplating legal action to enforce their rights, which are prejudicially affected by the new four-year debt plan of the Brazilian Government, which stipulates that only 22 1/2% of the accrued interest shall be paid for the year ending March, 1933, and over the following three years to 35%, the sinking fund being suspended throughout the period.

It is a well-known fact that merchants selling East African coffee in New York have recently been refused admission by the Customs authorities on the ground that they were 10% worthless. Actually the trouble was due to *Stiphonodera* (coffee beetle) infestation, not to pests.

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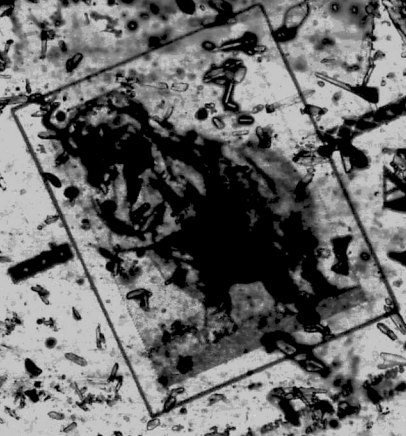
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