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CIRCULATION:

Visit of H.R.H. The Duke & Duchess of York

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Encloses copies of a provisional programme for - together with explanatory notes & maps. Trusts that H.R.H. will accept an invitation from the Mayor & Council of Nairobi to open a new city park & reports as to other invitations received.

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Secretary of State.

Previous Paper

MINUTES

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in Botswana

The proposed route is marked in red on the top map. You will get an idea of it by rapidly glancing at that.

There is a good deal in all this which is open to discussion. I don't want quite so many "junctions" to be arranged? However, it was left to him to decide how to proceed.

The Govt asks to be supplied with the names of any residents who might wish to be consulted to him.

6 Oct
13th October 1924
Ans & Tel Cons

Subsequent Paper

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will not involve T.R.A. in terms at the
 end of the Uganda visit. A tel. as to
 this is ~~in~~ in Gen 4512 Uganda. The
 Kenya Uganda programme is considered
 suitable & provided that the basis as
 to the visit is all right. It will not be
 necessary to do more than postpone it.

The Kenya programme is being considered
 by Capt. Brooke to be a no bid. What
 is wanted, & I have put into
 the draft tel. to Gen 4512 is set out
 herewith. The chief points which Capt
 Brooke ^{made} was agreed that the Draft
 go to him for comment in the
 first instance.

If Bureau of tel. are agreed to

- 1) send draft tel. to Uganda on 4512
- 2) send Capt. Brooke copy of tel. to Uganda
 & draft tel. to Kenya for his comment
 saying that it is proposed to send it
 to Kenya when the British sends a representative
 only as to the case.

Dr. K. Longman, Director of the ...

KENYA

No. 1192.



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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
KENYA

4th September, 1924.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your telegram of the 5th of August relative to the proposed visit of Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of York and party to this Colony and to the Protectorate of Uganda during the months of December and January next, and also to my telegrams of the 9th of August and of the 14th of August.

2. I enclose in an annexure to this despatch a provisional programme for the visit of Their Royal Highnesses to Kenya together with some brief explanatory notes and a few maps. I would suggest that I may be supplied with the names of any residents in Kenya whom Their Royal Highnesses may desire should be honoured with an invitation to meet them.

3. Requests have been received from public bodies and Associations in the Colony inviting Their Royal Highnesses to take part in various functions. To these I will reply that it is impossible to commit His Royal Highness at this stage, but that in view of the expressed wish that ceremonial is

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

J.H. THOMAS, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

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to be reduced to a minimum, it is improbable that he will be able to accept more than one or two of such invitations. I would, however, venture to express the hope that Their Royal Highnesses may be able to accept an invitation from the Mayor and Council of Nairobi to open the new City Park.

The wishes of Their Royal Highnesses in regard to ceremonial during the visit will, of course, be fully respected and complied with, but it will, I am sure, be recognised that the visit is a great event in the history of this young Colony, and that its inhabitants of all races are very sensible of the honour which is being conferred and will desire to demonstrate their loyalty to the Throne in the persons of Their Royal Highnesses.

It is a matter of personal regret to myself, and indeed to the Colony in general, that the time at the disposal of the Royal party will not permit an extended visit to parts of the country other than those to which the annexed programme relates.

5. I shall be glad if notification by telegram of the approval of the programme, or of any alterations therein, may be sent to me as early as possible to enable me to confirm the provisional arrangements already made.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient,
humble servant,

R. T. Compton

G O V E R N O R.

NOTES.

TIME OF ARRIVAL. It is hoped that the steamer may arrive between dawn and breakfast time.

CEREMONIAL. Mombasa. It is assumed that His Royal Highness will land in uniform.

The Governor will meet Their Royal Highnesses at Mombasa.

There should be a garden party at Mombasa at which the Duke and Duchess will meet leading Arabs and Indians.

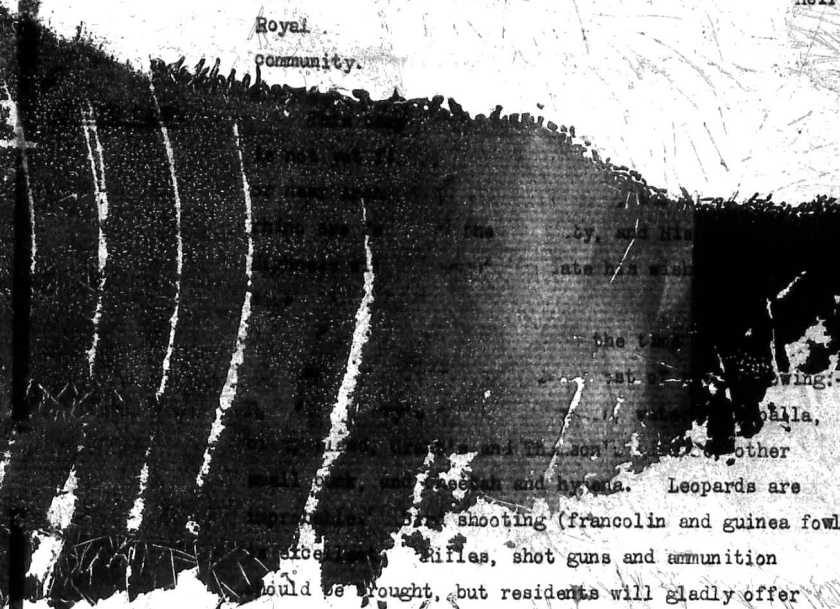
This will complete Mombasa.

En route to Nairobi. There will be no receptions or introductions. The country between Mombasa and Nairobi is thinly populated and almost unoccupied. Seats will be arranged in front of the locomotive while crossing Athi Plains to see the troops of game; this is always of great interest.

Nairobi. Arrive in uniform; inspect Guard of Honour of King's African Rifles; and receive three or four quite short addresses of welcome. Short collective reply to be made by His Royal Highness. These are the only two occasions on which the Duke need wear uniform in the Colony. The public is very keenly looking forward to the Royal visit and I am sure Their Royal Highnesses will gladly allow themselves to be seen. The only official arrangements are the opening of the new City Park on one afternoon, and a Garden Party at Government House next day. Dinners will be unofficial. The Duke to visit Nairobi Club for an hour one evening; and there will be a small and unofficial dance at Muthaiga, the Country Club.

SAFARI.

There will be no official receptions, though the party will be introduced to residents at various points and receive and say a few words to groups at various places. There will be no official reception at their Royal Community.



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 ...and hyena. Leopards are
 ...shooting (francolin and guinea fowl
 ...rifles, shot guns and ammunition
 should be brought, but residents will gladly offer
 a wide variety of rifles and guns if desired.
 Trained natives, gunbearers and skimmers will be
 available. If trophies are to be kept, a supply
 of preservative and insecticide should be brought;
 Rowland Ward should be consulted.

Two professional white hunters will offer their services. These men are of great experience and skill and may be thoroughly trusted in every respect. Binoculars and cameras should be brought.

TRANSPORT.

All transport by rail and steamer will be arranged by the Uganda Railway Administration. The party will travel in the Governor's train. The

General Manager will if advisable be on the train throughout. A pilot engine will be provided. All motor transport and ponies and mules for the Camp will be provided. During motor journeys lunch and tea is arranged sometimes by the roadside and sometimes at the farms of residents whom the Duke may care to meet.

CAMP EQUIPMENT.

All tents, camp beds and tables, and everything of that nature will be provided. The party may prefer to bring their own bedding, that is sheets, pillows and blankets; but if desired, they can quite easily be supplied from Government House.

COMMISSARIAT AND WINES.

The party may care to bring with them any cigarettes or cigars, or wines or champagne which they habitually use and may prefer, but of course a good selection and supply is available in the country and will be most willingly provided. All other commissariat is being supplied.

CLOTHES.

Every member of the party should be provided with 2 good topees (or helmets), one white for town use and one khaki pith for safari, or alternatively, double terais. Besides usual clothing for dinners and ceremonies, it is essential to bring warm clothing, and cloaks and rugs. Part of safari will be close to the equator, but much is at high altitude (the Railway between Nakuru and Eldoret reaches 9,130 feet) and it is very cold motoring in morning and evening. This is important.

At Mombasa and on Lake Albert it will be advisable to have thin clothing, or tussore or white ducks are preferable.

MAPS.

A number of maps are sent. Six copies of a useful road map are included so that each member

may have one.

DOCTOR.

A doctor will always be at hand in case of any unforeseen emergency.

SERVANTS.

Capable and trustworthy native personal servants, gunbearers, etc., will be provided. Lady Coryndon's maid is at the disposal of Her Royal Highness's party.

FISHING.

Fairly good coarse fishing is to be had on the Gasso Nyiro River at Archer's Post, should any of the party care to camp there. Tackle suitable for sea trout or small salmon is used. There is very good trout fishing from Nyeri; brown and rainbow trout up to 7 lbs. In case His Royal Highness does not care to burden himself with rods, cases, etc., there is much good tackle available in the Colony, which will gladly be placed at the disposal of the party.

MOUNT KENYA.

The route will take the party completely round the Mountain, with fine views of the snow peaks. If the Duke, or any member of his party, would care to climb the lower slopes or up to the Frozen Lake, this can be arranged without difficulty.

PRESENTS TO CHIEFS.

Liwali Sheikh Ali bin Salim, Mombasa.

Gold sleeve links with Royal cypher and date.

Signed photo in silver frame.

Liwali Sheikh Seif, Lamu.

Ebony stick with gold knob and Royal cypher and date.

The Liwali of Mombasa.

(as for Seif).

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME FOR VISIT OF THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF YORK

Hours.	Miles.	Date.	Place.	Time.	Remarks.
		SUNDAY, 21st December.	MOMBASA.		His Royal Highness lands in uniform and is met by His Excellency Sir Robert Coryndon, K.C.M.G. Guard of Honour of Kenya Police. Official reception.
				4.30 p.m.	Their Royal Highnesses to drive round town and Bazaar in open cars; return to launch on the boat, or else arrangements may be made to place a house at the disposal of Their Royal Highnesses for the day.
					Garden Party to meet prominent Europeans, Arabs and Indians.
				5.30 p.m.	Drive round Mombasa and see Ngomas if desired.
				6.30 p.m.	Leave Mombasa Station by Special Train.
			MARIKANI. (650 ft.)	7.56 p.m.	TRAIN. Dinner; fifty five minutes. (The above arrangements are naturally dependent on the time of arrival of His Royal Highness's boat; it is to be hoped that it will arrive early in the morning, so that the Duke and his party can land in comfort after breakfast)

KISumu

Hours Miles.	Date.	Place.	Time.	Remarks.
	MONDAY, 22nd December.	KIBWEZI. (3,000 ft.)	7.00 a.m.	TRAIN. Halt at Station before breakfast; three quarters of an hour.
	"	MAKINDU. (3,280 ft.)	8.25 a.m.	TRAIN. Breakfast; thirty-five minutes.
	"	UMU. (5,250 ft.)	1.04 p.m.	TRAIN. Lunch; three quarters of an hour. (Seats will be placed on the front of the engine to enable members of party to see the Game on Athi Plains).
	"	MURAKAZI. (6,400 ft.)	3.40 p.m.	TRAIN. Halt for five minutes.
17 330	"	NAIROBI. (6,450 ft.)	4.16 p.m.	TRAIN. Arrive in uniform. Official reception. Full Guard of Honour of King's African Rifles. Three or four short addresses by communities. Collective reply by His Royal Highness. Their Royal Highnesses will be met by Lady Coryndon. His Honour the Chief Justice, the Colonial Secretary, the Mayor and Councillors, etc., etc. of whom a small number will be presented. Drive to Government House for tea. Short drive afterwards, if desired. Dine quietly at Government House.
	"		8.30 p.m.	
				TUESDAY.....

724 FRIDAY, 26th December.

EMBU
(4,650 ft.)

CAR. Start after breakfast.

Stop at Thika Falls for half an hour, if desired.

Lunch on road.

Arrive in evening - camp in vicinity of Embu.

7 SATURDAY, 27th December.

MERU
(5,400 ft.)

CAR. Start after breakfast.

Visit Chogoria (the Eastern starting point for safaris climbing Mount Kenya) on the way.

Lunch on side of road or at Dr. Irvine's at Chogoria.

Tea at waterfall between Chogoria and Meru.

Arrive in prepared camp in vicinity of Meru in the evening.

Sleep in camp nights of 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st December and 1st January.

(Time given to reach Meru is maximum in case of bad roads. The road traverses many beautiful valleys).

(It appears possible from the telegram of the Secretary of State that some of the party may wish to climb the lower slopes of Kenya as far as the second camp (Lake Michaelson, 14,000 ft.) which would take three days from the above...)

Hours Miles.	Date.	Place.	Time.	Remarks.
	<u>SAURDAY</u>	27th Dec. (Contd.)		above time. This can be arranged. From Lake Michelson there is a fine view of the peaks and glaciers).
100	<u>FRIDAY</u>	2nd January.		(Shooting safaris will be organised from this Camp. White hunters will await arrival of party with porters here).
		<u>NYERI</u> (6,000 ft.)		<u>CAR.</u> Leave camp after breakfast.
16		<u>GURA</u>	Evening.	Lunch with Hon' S.B. Cole (24 miles from Nyeri).
				<u>CAR.</u> Arrive Camp at Gura River, where there is excellent trout fishing.
				Sleep at camp nights of 2nd and 3rd January.
98	<u>SUNDAY</u>	4th January.		<u>CAR.</u> Leave camp after breakfast.
		<u>NAIROBI</u> (5,450 ft.)		Lunch at Mathya (probably with Mr. Harryn Ridley) 43 miles from Nairobi.
				Stop at Blue Posts at Thika, 11 miles from Nairobi and have tea there, if desired.
				Arrive in the evening at Government House.
			8.30 p.m.	Dine quietly and sleep there night of 4th January.
				<u>MONDAY</u>

Place.	Time.	Remarks.
THURSDAY 8th January.		
MEORO.		At Lord Francis Scott's house.
"		Via Lower Molo, Garlands and return via Naruru.
SOLAL (4,866 ft.)	a.m.	Lunch in the car or at one of the farms in the district.
"		Afternoon fires.
"		Dinner; a few residents will be asked to meet Their Royal Highnesses.
FRIDAY 9th January.		
RONGAI (6,160 ft.)	9.30 a.m.	To Rongai Station where party will rejoin train.
"		(Seats will be placed on the front of the engine).
"	10.00 a.m.	Start for Eldoret.
CANADA (8,715 ft.)	1.30 p.m.	Lunch; one hour.
"		
MABOI.	4.00 p.m.	Tea; half an hour.
"		
ELDORST. (6,850 ft.)	6.40 p.m.	A few residents will be presented at the station.
"		Dine and sleep on train.
"		(The Usin Gishu Railway at Timbora is over 9,100 feet above sea level; the highest point of any railway in the British Empire).
SATURDAY 10th January.		

Miles	Date	Place	Time	Remarks
14	SATURDAY, 10th January.	ELDORET.		Breakfast on train.
20	" "	SOY. (5,600 ft.)	12.30 p.m.	Leave after breakfast for Lieut. Col. Swinton Hume's house at Soy and lunch there early, and leave immediately afterwards.
2	" "	KITALE. (6,200 ft.)	3.30 p.m.	Arrive Kitale.
26	" "	near HOEY'S BRIDGE. (5,900 ft.)	4.45 p.m.	Small garden party at District Commissioner's House.
14	" "	" "	6.00 p.m.	Leave 4.45 p.m.
30	SUNDAY, 11th January.	KAMORIN. (7,637 ft.)		Arrive A.C. Hoey's house.
23	" "	ELDORET. (6,850 ft.)	4.30 p.m.	Sleep there night of 10th January.
14	" "	KAPEKABUSH. (8,400 ft.)	6.30 p.m.	Breakfast.
23	" "	ELDORET. (6,850 ft.)	4.30 p.m.	Leave after breakfast for Kamorin via Sergoit to the edge of Elgeyo Escarpment. (This is one of the finest views in the country).
23	" "	KAPEKABUSH. (8,400 ft.)	6.05 p.m.	Picnic lunch there.
23	" "	ELDORET. (6,850 ft.)	4.30 p.m.	Arrive in time for small garden party at D.C.'s house.
23	" "	KAPEKABUSH. (8,400 ft.)	6.30 p.m.	Party leave Eldoret.
23	" "	ELDORET. (6,850 ft.)	6.05 p.m.	Dinner on train and sleep there.

MONDAY...

TUESDAY 13th January. KISUMU PIER.

Remarks.

Their Royal Highnesses will embark immediately on the S.S. "Clement Hill" and will there receive a few residents of Kisumu.

11.00 a.m. S.S. "Clement Hill" sails for Entebbe.

NOTES.

Their Royal Highnesses and party will receive copies of the approved programme on arrival at Mombasa.

The programme, which is of course subject to modification, comprises 6 1/2 miles by train and 707 miles by car.

The road timings are probably excessive, but ample allowance has been made for bad roads, unavoidable delays in starting, and breakdowns.

A special dining saloon will be attached to the train, so that His Royal Highness will be enabled to entertain residents to dinner at one or two stations if he so desires.

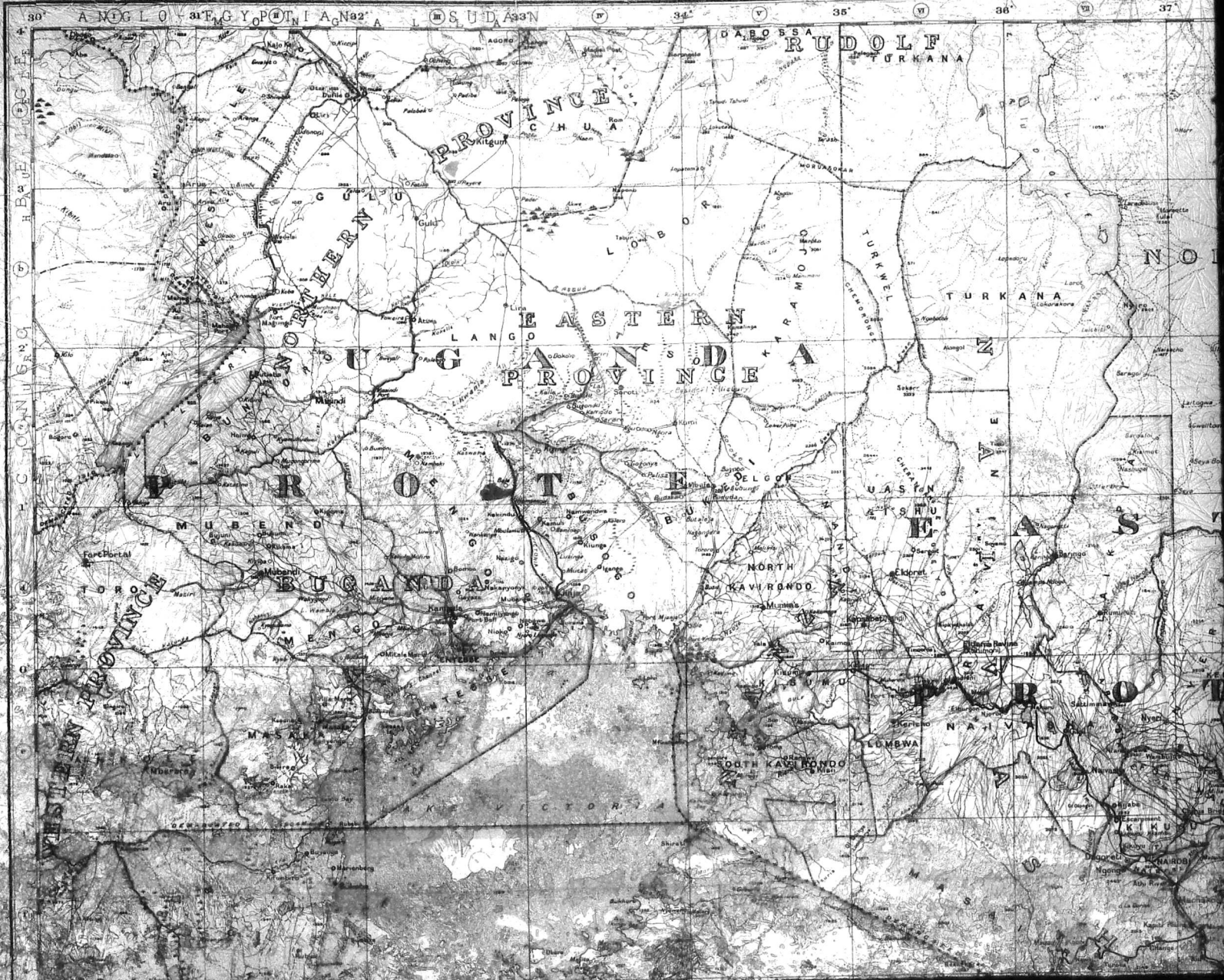
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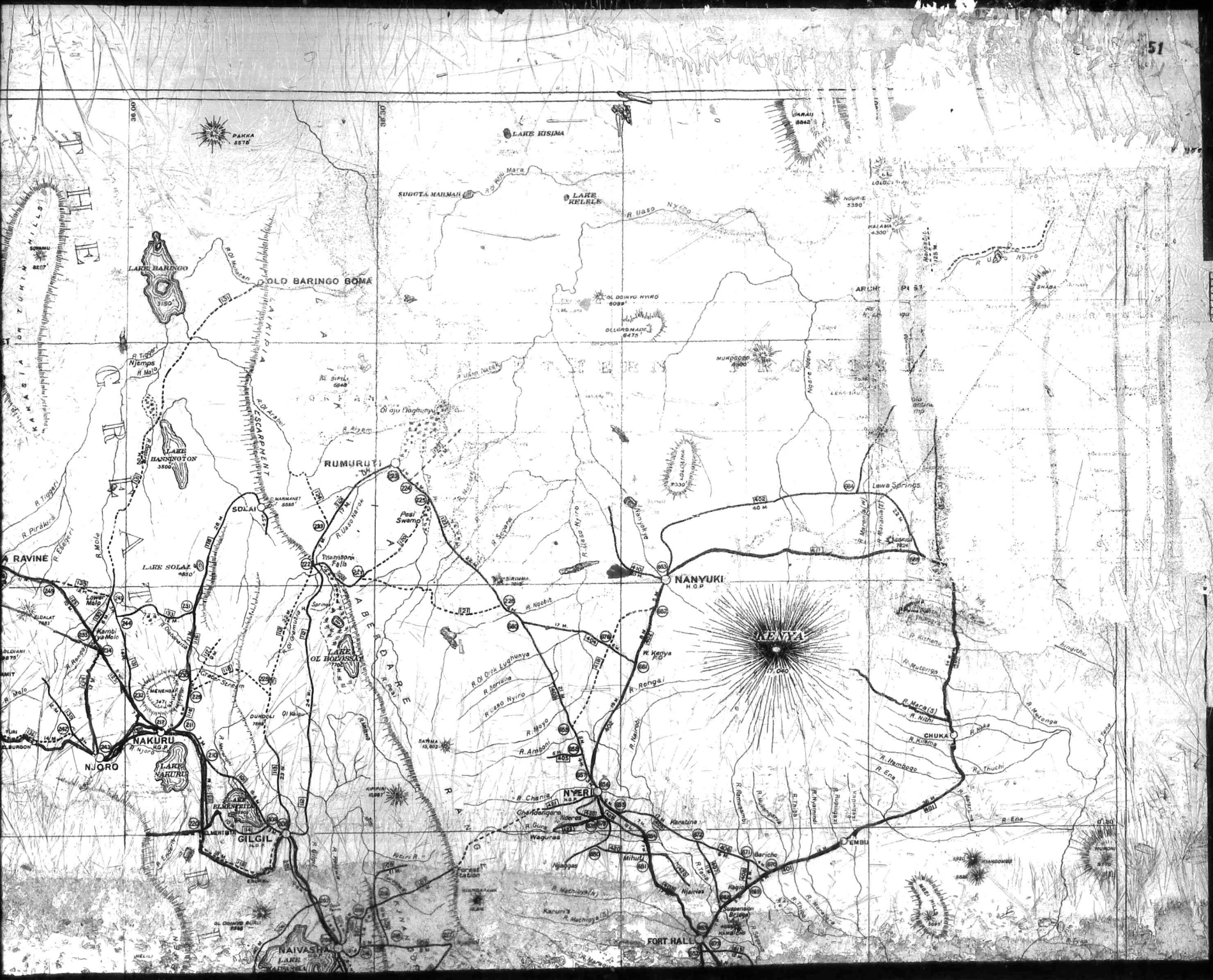
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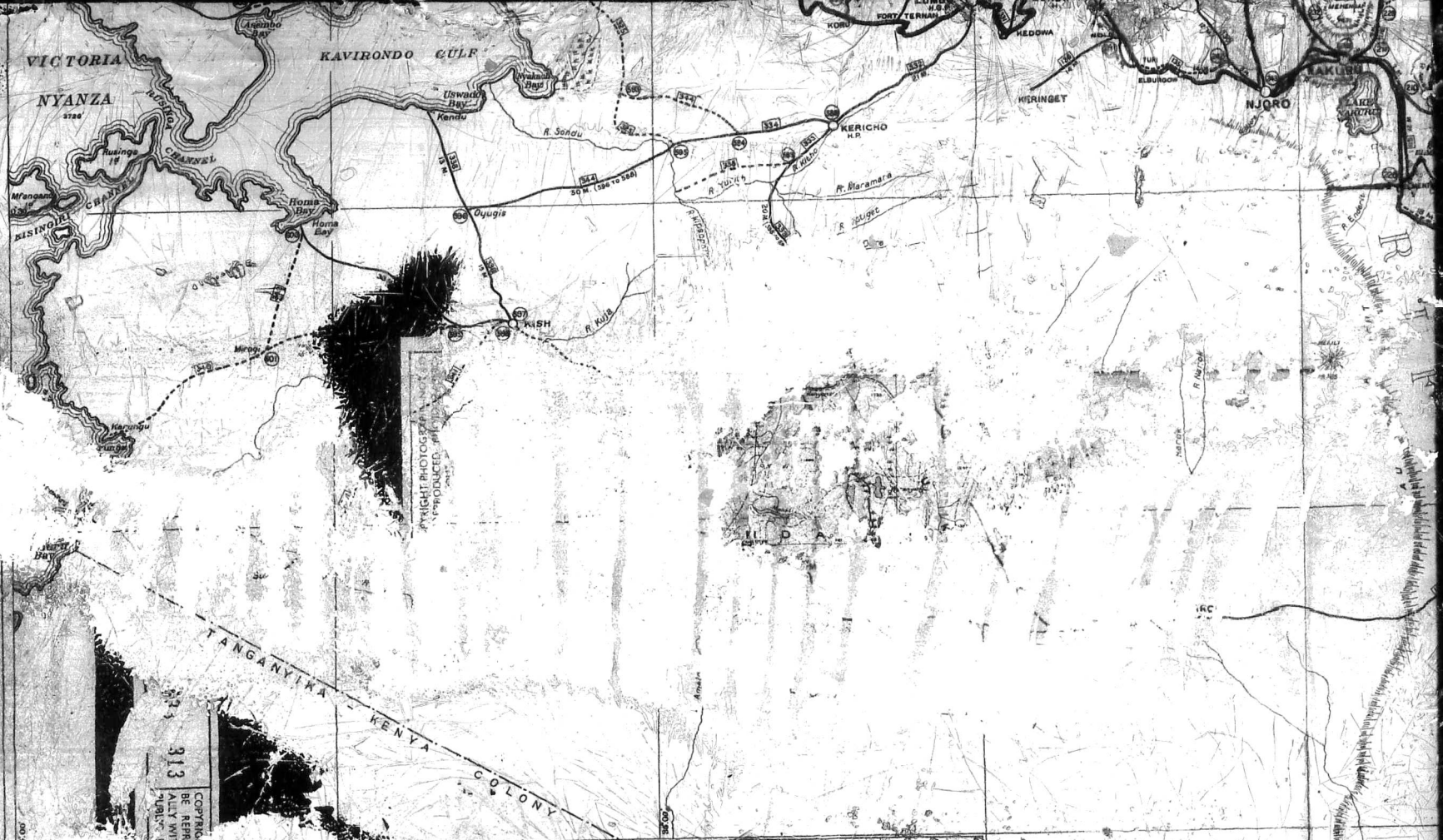
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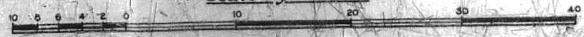
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The Kericho-Garissa Railway is not marked on this map.

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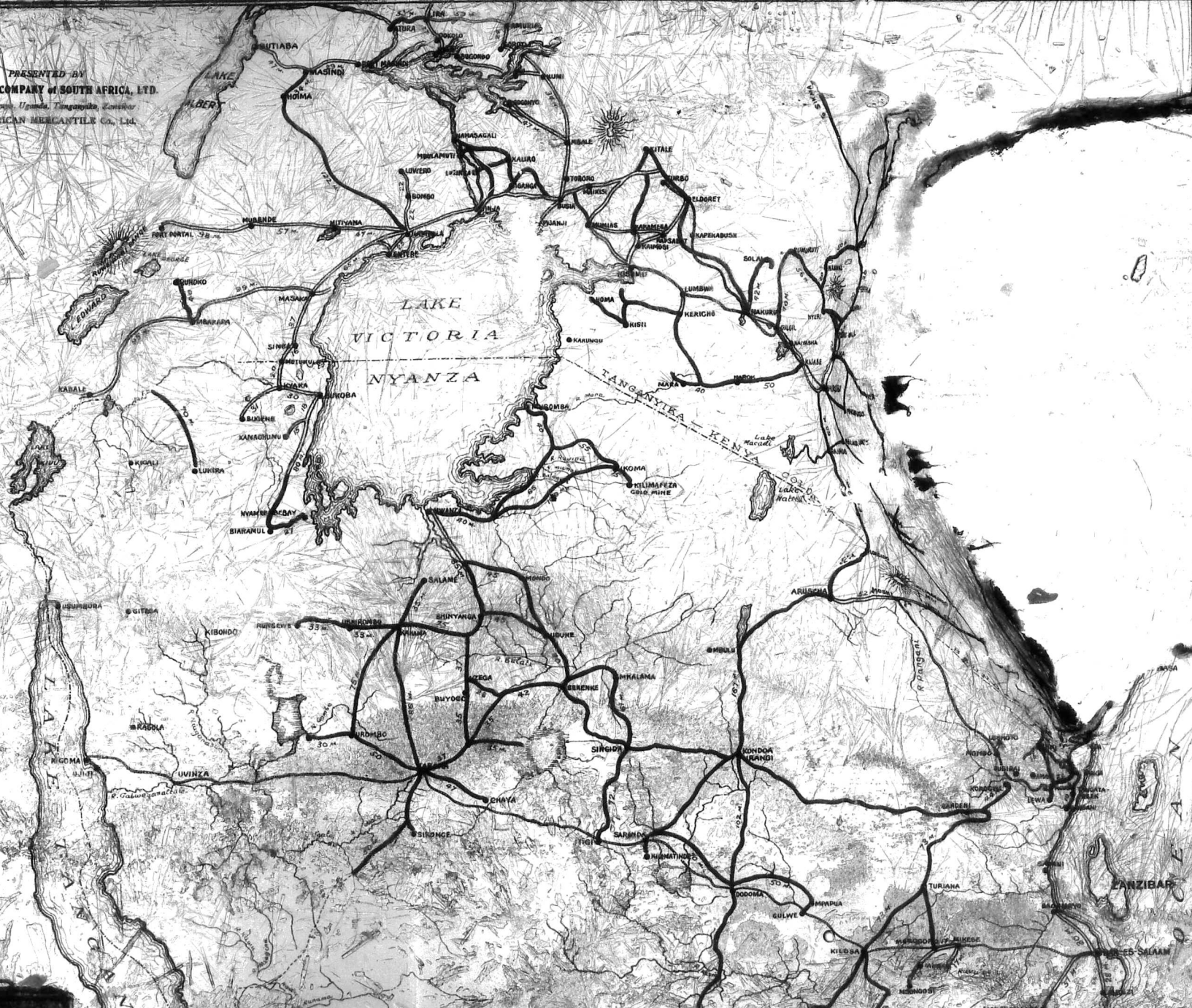
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R. E. A. A. A. ROAD MAP

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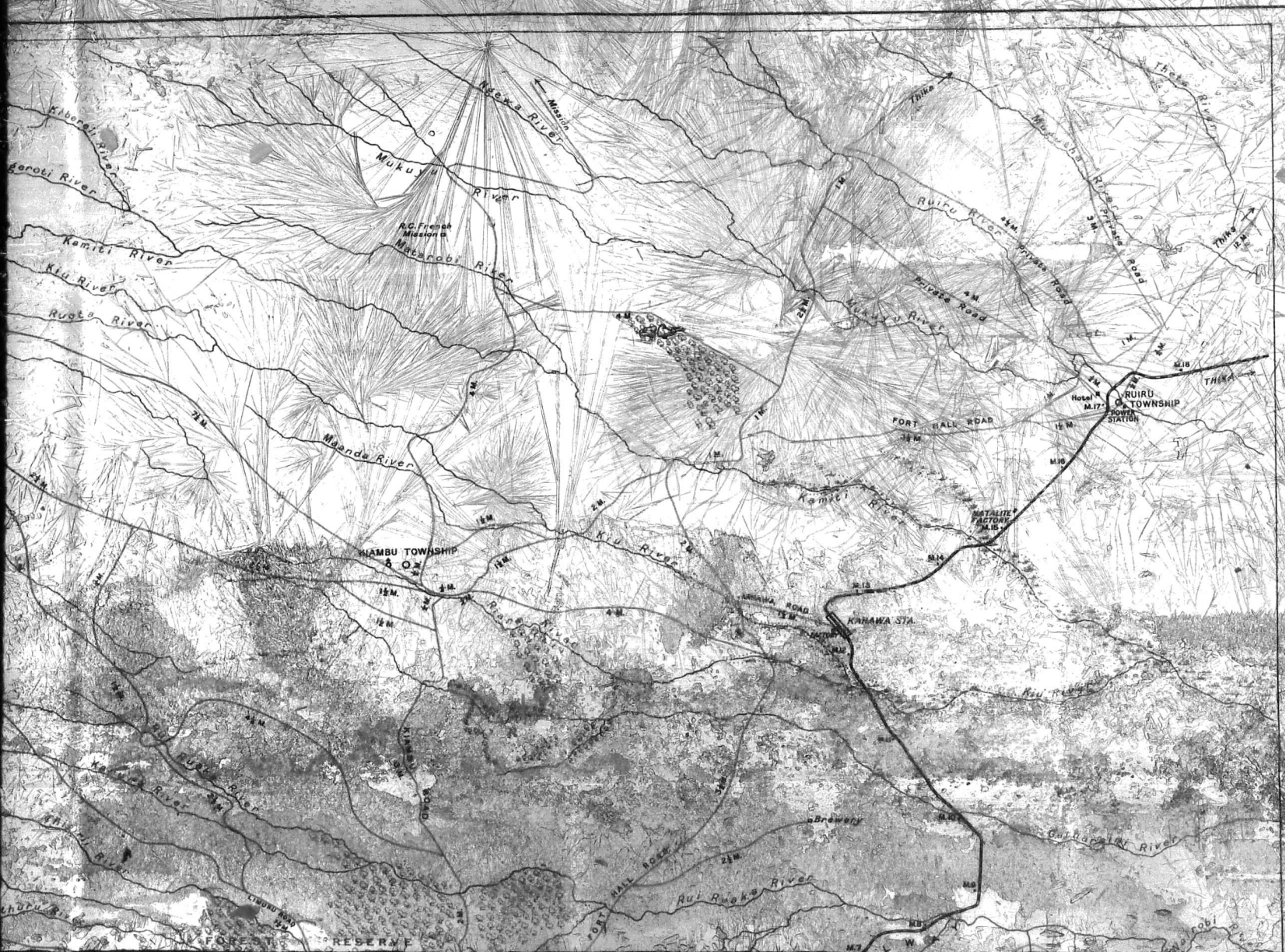
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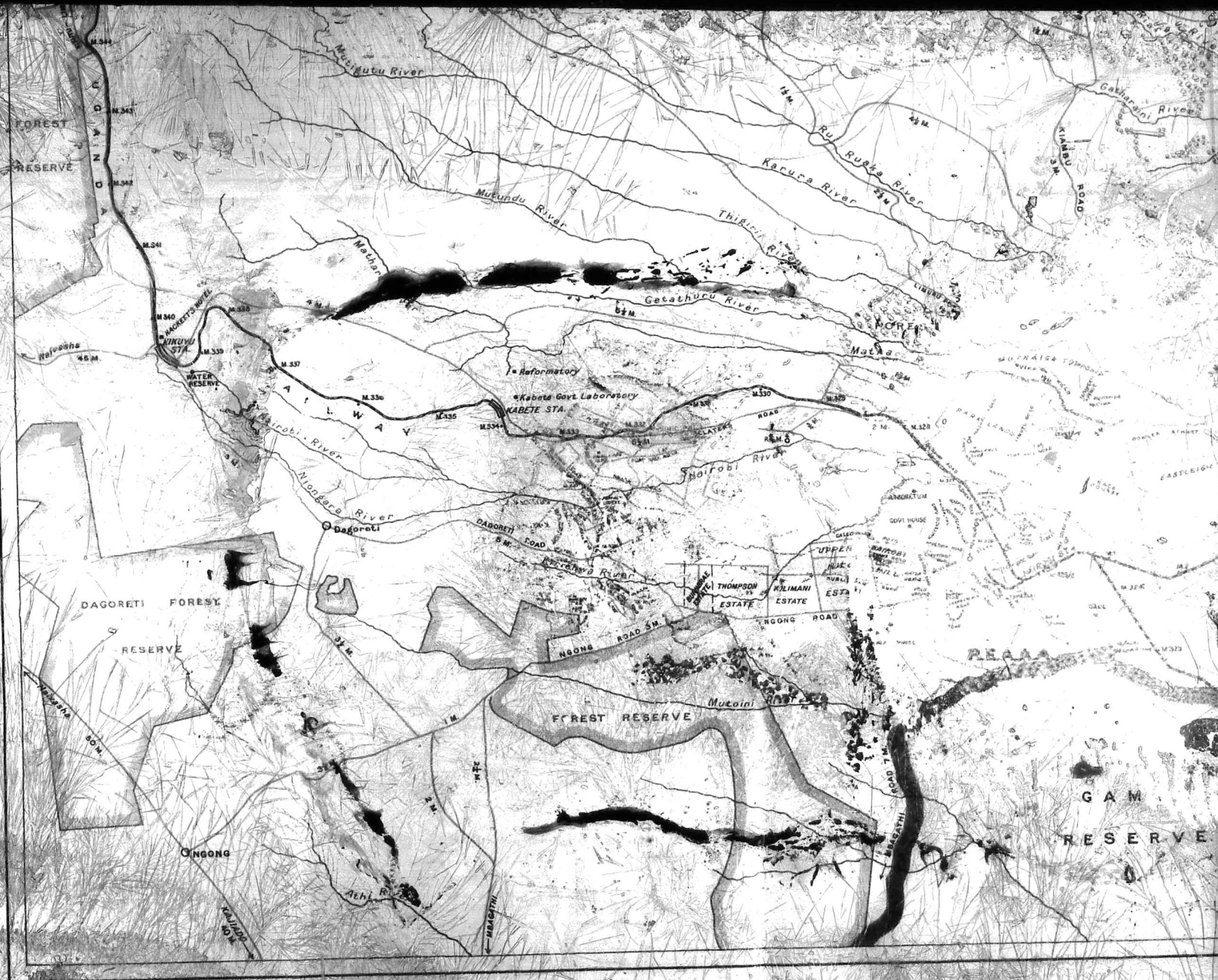
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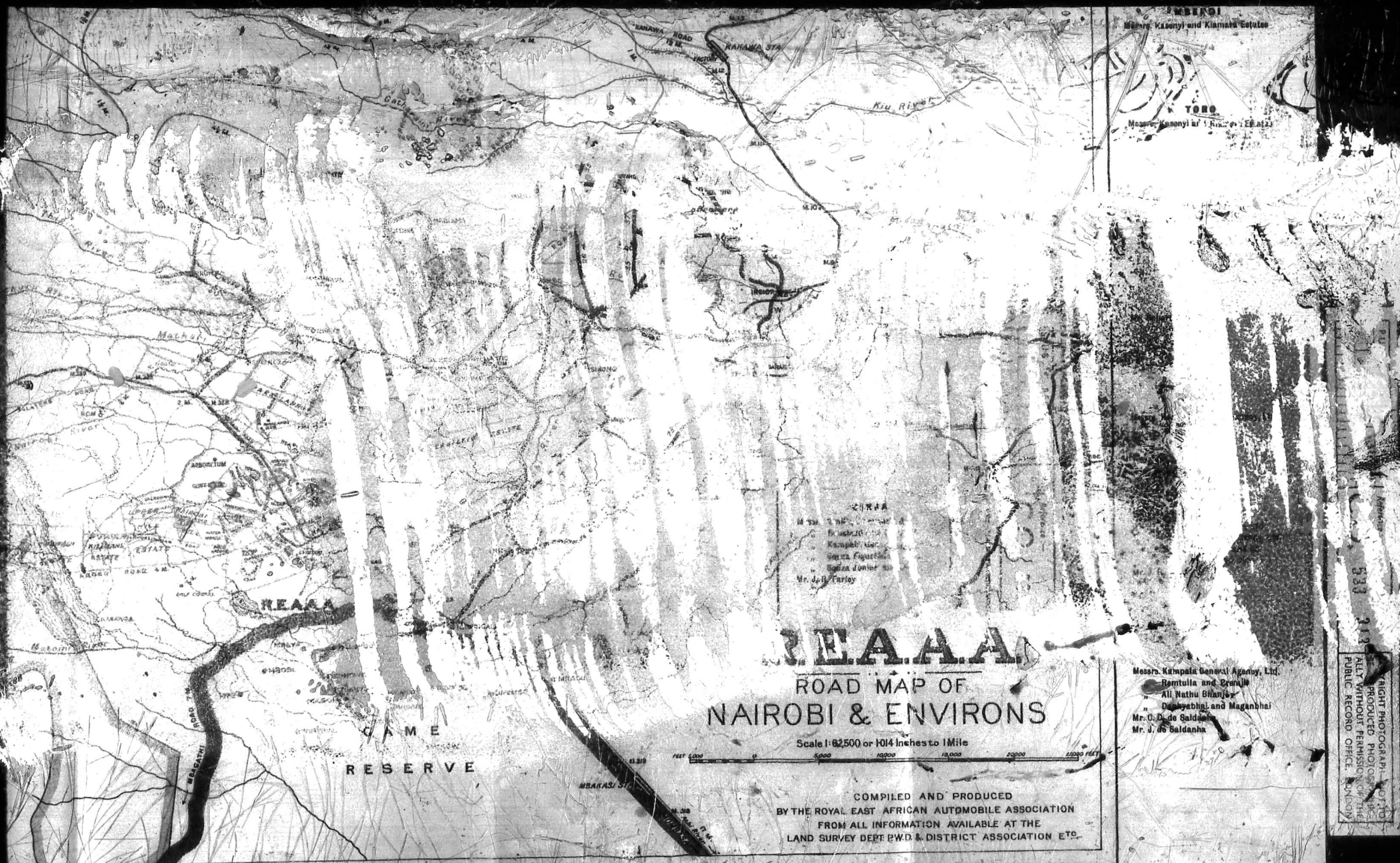
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ROAD MAP OF
NAIROBI & ENVIRONS

Scale 1:62,500 or 10 1/4 inches to 1 Mile
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6 Oct. 1924

DRAFT.

James G.
Lyon

Dear Capt. Brooke,

I am now able

to send you

(1) a copy of a telegram

which has been sent to

me from Uganda

(2) the text of a telegram

which I intend to go

concerning

referred to send to the

Genl of Kenya provided

that Uganda report

that it is all right

Capt B. Brooke RN

White Lodge

Richmond Park

MINUTE.

Mr. Lyon G.D.

Mr.

Mr.

Sir C. Davis.

Sir G. Griener.

Sir H. Read.

Sir J. MacLinton Smith.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore.

Duke of Devonshire

to Genl Uganda 6 Oct

to Genl Kenya 46146

about the same.

Thank you for your
interest about the ~~standards~~
standards for the motor
cars. We are taking
the matter up with the
main factories

Very sincerely

St. Thomas 7.10.24

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- 26 Dec. Sea - to Nassau, Penn
- 26 Jan. Arrive - from " "
- 28 Jan. Leave - for Mt. Kenya trip
- 7 Feb. Arrive - from " "

As 14 Feb was the date contemplated for arriving at Santebe, this will leave 3 extra days for stopping en route to Wisconsin.

See settlers

THE OFFICE
OF THE SECRETARY
OF STATE

October 1951



SECRET

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of 20 to 10

... of the proposed
to the Governor of Kenya.

I hope to let you have a ^{M.S. 70}
reply about the latter early next week
when I have been able to lay it before
His Royal Highness the Duke of York for
his approval.

Yours sincerely,

Comptroller.

E.G.S. Machtig Esq., M.B.E.,
Colonial Office,
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you ~~proclaiming~~ for his
period T.R.H. party
would have visited about
26th October finally
for the Naval Reserve

MINUTE.

- Mr.
- Mr.
- Mr.
- Sir C. Davis.
- Sir G. Grindle
- Sir H. Road.
- Sir J. Monteton Smith
- Lord Amherst
- Mr. Thomas.

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Mr. Thomas.

With reference to first page of
provisional programme H.R.H.
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apart during the day he spends
at home.

arranged that his name
be arranged quite informally
between the date of his
arrival and the date (about
26th Dec) on which they
give leave Nairobi and
during the last week of
his stay in the Colony
It has been arranged

be placed at his disposal during the day he spends at Mombasa (5) It has been arranged that Capt. G. H. Anderson shall attend upon Their Royal Highnesses as adviser as to shooting and should make arrangements as to this and it is he who has suggested Masai Reserve as most suitable locality for his part of visit. Anderson is due to arrive Nairobi in a few days time and will call to discuss matter with you. Suggest that in consultation with him you prepare revised programme on the lines indicated above and report its outlines by telegram.

THOMAS