



Lodging on shows that the  
proceedings in liquidation of the  
World's Zoological Trading Co.  
were reported in the "Times" of  
the 27<sup>th</sup> of May and, moreover,  
in the "Star" of the previous  
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI,  
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

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3rd May 1920.

My Lord,

*40/43/10*

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's Secret Despatch of March 25th requesting to be furnished with any information which may be available locally with regard to Mr. J.A. Jordan, and to transmit for Your Lordship's information a copy of a letter on the subject of this gentleman from the Commissioner of Police.

I have the honour to be, My Lord,  
Your Lordship's

*J. Bowyer*

ACTING GOVERNOR.

THE GREAT BRITAIN  
FRANCIS & TAYLOR, PUBLISHERS, 11, B.B.M.S.,  
ETC., ETC.,  
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET,  
LONDON, S.W.

Jordan and his wife returned to England  
via the West Coast.

Was responsible for the flotation in  
1918/19, of a Company known as The World's Zoological  
Trading Co. Ltd, of 30/31 St. Swithens Lane, London,  
and induced a number of influential persons to join  
the Board including a Mr. R. Leadbetter through whom  
an application for a concession to catch and train  
wild animals in B.M.A. was submitted to the Colonial  
Office on behalf of the Company which has now, it is  
understood, gone into liquidation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sgd) W. S. GILBY.

COMMISSIONER,  
B.M.A. OFFICE.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Office of the Commissioner.

Nairobi.

29th April 1920.

J. A. Jordan.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of 26/4/20

I have the honour to report as follows:-

J.A. Jordan arrived in East Africa about 1902 and proceeded to G.E.A. Returned to B.E.A. in 1904 and was employed by the Italian Trading Company at Kericho where he became insolvent. Was arrested and sentenced to a term of imprisonment for dacoity in the Kisii District, he was however subsequently acquitted on appeal. Subsequently he was without funds and lived mostly with the Wandorobe until in 1907 when he became associated with an American named Bronsen by whose help he visited America in 1908. Returned 1908/9 to collect wild animals for Messrs. Barnum and Baily and took a consignment to England in 1910.

He returned to B.E.A. in 1911 and was married at Mombasa. In July 1911 he left Nairobi with his wife, and two other men and women (a party of 6) for the Congo to take cinema pictures and left Kampala for Toro in August. He and his wife left the remainder of the party stranded at Toro and they had to be assisted by the Uganda Government.

Jordan....

THE PRIVATE SECRETARY  
TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.  
NAIROBI.