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BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

December 27th, 1912.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the following circumstances under which I have ordered a collective fine to be levied on a section of the Chonyi tribe living in the Malindi District of the Seyidie Province.

2. It appears that about the month of July last, the members of the tribe met together to discuss the estion of the prolonged drought which at that time was causing considerable distress among the Community. During the discussion, the opinion was formed that the absence of rain was mainly due to the incantations of a woman of the tribe. She was thereupon seized and maltreated in such a shocking manner that

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LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

she died within a few hours.

- 3. It has been found impossible to bring home this murder to any particular individual, and as the whole section have been shown to share equal responsibility for the deed and to connive conjointly in the suppression of any information respecting its authors, I have ordered the infliction of a fine at the rate of 50 cents per hut under the Collective Punishment Ordinance 1909 and I trust you will approve my action in the matter.
- 4. The circumstances attending the case are some nat similar to those reported in Mr.Bowring's despatch No.618 of the 6th of September. The crime in the present instance, however, is of a more heinous description, and it is imperative to inflict a punishment which will act as a deterrent to such excesses in the future.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

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