

the convenience of the
all this I shall be
paid a salary of £1500
being by annual instalment
of £500 £1500 he will
a half allowance of £750
and pension of £1000

3. I am to request the
purpose of an early reply
as it is desirable that
the sanction of the
the Government should be
written before any
of his appointment is made

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Prepared, Sir P.

Date
1912

2nd August

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MR W.P. COBB'S CONCESSION

The copy of letter from Mr Cobb to the Land Officer
maintains that as the Government is bound to
Mr Cobb alone but to him it is not open to the Govt to say that the deal is off.

Put by

Living Fielder

See notes 21864 + 20378
There is no question at present of the
starting fresh.

Put on? - + Mr Kalfille
to see. He has had an interview with Mr Cobb.
H J R

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at once P.W. 29

Mr Reed.
Seen. Mr Pavy Cobb did not mention the subject to me.
He talks me that he will be in S.A. till the end of
the year & I talk in that the matter must stand over in
the meantime.

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8 Great George Street,

Westminster, W. 1 (12)

22nd August, 1912.

Enclosure.

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My dear Lord,

I forward you herewith copy of a letter which has been sent up from the Secretariat with reference to Cobb's Land. The last paragraph of his letter is inaccurate.

Although the partnership as I ^{mentioned} asked to you in East Africa, was dissolved, it is to be remembered that the grant of this land was not given to Mr. Foy ^{Cobb} alone, but to himself and his partners.

Therefore I maintain it is quite open to the Government to say that the whole deal is off and that we should start afresh.

Yours sincerely,

H. J. Read, Esq., C.M.G.,

Colonial Office,

London, S.W.

HJ/R.

S. S. Severn,

Indian Ocean,

May 18 1912.

The Land Officer,

Nairobi.

Sir,

My Land. - Mau Encampment.

With reference to our recent conversation I regret to inform you that the map to which I then referred is for the moment un-get-at-able. It is in a box which came down country by goods train and was sent on board marked not wanted on the voyage.

2. I have the honour to inform you that the reason why I am not able to begin work on my land (I have repeatedly pointed out how costly this delay has been to me) is because H.M. wishes to refer some points to the Colonial Office. He so informed at an interview in January last, which I sought for the purpose of pressing the desirability of drafting the necessary documents, since the Partnership action, which had been the official reason for the last eighteen months, was ended.

I have etc.

W. H. Power Cobb.