

EAST AFR. PROT.

20110

20110

Journal

1910

June

PROCESSED PAPER

u
2/24

Game Ranges

Minutes recording proceedings of Patronage Committee who recommend appointment of R. B. Woodsman

W. Head

The vacant post of game ranger was brought before the Patronage Committee at their meeting of the 31st of June, when they had before them the names of Lord Cranworth, H. Fletcher, H. Griffin, and H. Vaughan Kirby, recommended by Lord Selborne, Major Staddon, late of R. & R., H. Newham, retired from the Transvaal, Captain Oliver, retired from the R.A., H. Percival, who is at present acting as game ranger, St. Roberts, Captain Steward, late of the R.A., and Major Tompkins, all of whom were considered in the vacancy at the first meeting of 1909. The names of Major Macdonald Hamilton, Game Warden in the Transvaal, & of H. B. Woodsman of the National History Museum were also before the Committee, together with correspondence with the Government regarding the position of H. Percival, who claims to the post.

The Committee had no hesitation in recommending Woodsman for the post. They carefully considered the correspondence laid before them, & were of opinion that the Government was not justified in assuming that the Secretary of State was committed to appointing H. Percival to the vacancy, the soundness of that being

ORIGINAL COPY

5/11/1910

be glad to know whether it is the
fact that this condition has not been
included in new leases granted since
the 7th May 1908 and if not, why the
operation of the regulations has been
suspended.

2. I would further observe
that previous intimation has reached
me that this regulation was not being
applied. Enquirers as to the condi-
tions on which land is granted have
always been supplied with the regula-
tions of the 7th May 1908 in the firm
belief that the whole of those regula-
tions were operative. I may also
observe that the belief that the revi-
sion of rent formed one of the conditions
on which new grants of land were being
made has not been without its influence
on myself in considering applications

such as that of Mr. Heatley for the
grant of additional areas and in con-
senting to delay in the consideration
of the Lands Ordinance.

I am, &c.

Gene

C O
19273
25 JUN 10

100

1927 3

E. A. Protectorate



Downing Street,

6 July, 1916.

DRAFT

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 405

Governor

Col. Sir Percy Girouard,
K.C.M.G., D.S.O., R.E.

MINUTE.

Mr. Butler, June 25th.

Sir,

Mr. Reed 28

Mr. Fiddes 28

Mr. Just

Mr. Cox

Sir C. Lodge

Mr. T. Harrison July 29 1916

Col. Seely

Lord Cromer

See enclosure

I have the honour to inform you that I understand from Colonel Montgomery, late Commissioner of Lands, that No. 2 of the regulations for the grant of lands dated 7th May 1908 has not been applied in the case of new grants since that date. That regulation provides for the revision of rent at the end of the third and sixth years of a 99 years lease and is, of course, a condition of the greatest importance. I must

be

2020-20

fees will be demanded according to area before possession is given.

The following districts are included in the term "Highlands":-

Provinces.

Districts.

		Nandi
Western	...	Isioma
		Isiok
		Isioma
Malva	...	Leikipia
		Malva
		Nyeri
Kenya	...	Port Hall
		Embu
		Kikuyu
Uasin	...	Ulu (North of 2nd degree of South Latitude)
		Kitui

(Signed) MANUHELY

Commissioner of Lands

Malva

...

rent will be deducted for the first 55 years. During the 55th year it will be assessed at its prairie value that is, at the price at which it would sell if it were waste land without any improvements. If five per cent of the price thus calculated is found to be 56 cents an acre or more the rent for the next 35 years will be 56 cents; in less at such lesser rate.

The same procedure will be followed in the 56th year, the minimum rate of rent in the last period of the lease being Rs. 1.04 per acre.

3. No one is entitled to an exact area of 60 many acres, but will receive a rent approximating the maximum areas above mentioned according to class, or a smaller area if so desired. And no land will be allotted until it has been beaconed off and classified.

4. Possession will be given in the first instance by a certificate of occupation. The lease will not be granted till development has taken place and may be claimed after three years. The property will be liable to confiscation if the necessary development has not been effected in five years from occupation. The conditions of development are briefly:-

- (a) in the hill lands, white occupation and the expenditure of 40 times the rent;
- (b) in the lowlands, either the two conditions as in (a) or the expenditure of 60 times the rent.

5. A preliminary fee of Rs. 75 will be required for each application. The balance of survey fees

C O
 19273
 Recd 25 JUN 10

NOTICE.

156

1. All land available for Homestead in the following townships, will be granted in accordance with the following conditions:

The land can only be acquired in a homestead farm of 320 acres.

All of the farms will be on leasehold tenancies of 99 years and the rents given below for each class of farm.

Table, showing the ordinary maximum size of farms, and the rents to be contracted in the first instance.

Class	Highlands	Lowlands	Rent per acre per annum
I	Acres 960	Acres 320	Cents 18
II	1,400	640	12
III	2,600	1,200	6
IV	5,600	2,000	3

2. The rents given above will be revised once a year on the basis of the value of the improved value of the land. The value of the land in question at the time of valuation is included in a township to a maximum of 600 acres and a separate one for each township at the time of valuation. The rents will be revised at the time of the valuation of the land. The rents will be revised at the time of the valuation of the land.

and has also made us perhaps ^{understand} ~~realize~~ the consequences of delay in dealing with the new Lands Ordinance. Naturally the urgency of arriving at a decision on that Ordinance was not felt so keenly when it was believed that the requirements laid down by Lord Elgin which are embodied in the regulations referred to were being complied with.

I submit a draft to the Governor on the subject.

W. A. P.

June 28

H. J. R.

28/27