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CROWN LANDS ON MOMBASA ISLAND

The plan showing. Cannot vouch for absolute accuracy but it is of sufficient value to indicate present position. Reports as to the desirability of acquiring the plot belonging to Dr F. Charlesworth.

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A useful description of a plan to Charlesworth's land ought to be very valuable in time or it is rather a pity that Mr Gov did not acquire it when he purchased Lou de Silva's land two years ago. It would have been all one trouble with the Treasury. However that can't be helped now.

Put by, but note carefully in the Sub-Registry for such questions as the deep water pier, the Magadi pier, or Capt. Progan's land at Mombasa.

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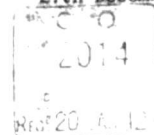
GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
NAIROBI,
BRITISH EAST AFRICA.

27th December, 1911.

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

CONFIDENTIAL No. 116.



Sir,

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With further reference to my confidential despatch No. 110 of November 9th, 1910, I have the honour to forward a plan showing the Crown lands upon Mombasa Island.

Plan.

2. I cannot vouch for the absolute accuracy of this plan, as the various boundaries will not be fully determined until procedure under the Coast Land Titles Ordinance is completed within the area affected. At the same time it is of sufficient value in its present state to indicate to you the condition of affairs which exists upon the Island.

3. You will observe that at Kilindini we have acquired practically all the land to the West of the Railway. The large plot marked "Luis da Silva", some 70 acres in extent, was acquired by Government under the Land Acquisition Act some eighteen months ago at a cost of £50 per acre. My reasons for recommending this

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

LEWIS HARCOURT, P.C., M.P., *not referred*

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

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were detailed in my despatches No. 48 and 91 of May 13th and August 30th, 1910, respectively. I think the enclosed map clearly shows the almost vital necessity for this acquisition, for, had it not now been in our possession, it would have been almost impossible to arrange a satisfactory site for the Magadi deep water pier, and the area at our disposal would not have allowed of a through connection from the Makupa railway bridge to it and eventually along the deep water piers to be constructed by Government. The general outline of both schemes, Magadi and Government, is shown on the plan.

4. I should have liked to have secured at the same time the land, 52 acres in extent, shown as the property of Dr. Francis Charlesworth, as its position will eventually hamper the development of the port. Land values have however materially increased upon Mombasa Island in the last two years, and it is very doubtful if this land could be acquired for the same sum per acre as was paid for the adjoining plot purchased from da Silva. The expenditure necessary for our normal requirements would be materially affected if the sum necessary for the acquisition of this land had to be provided for in the ordinary Estimates. It is difficult

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difficult to ascertain, as I have stated, the cost of any such purchase if made to-day, but I doubt if it could be effected for less than £5,000. The actual possession of the land is not a pressing necessity, and I do not therefore suggest our delaying the much more important works put forward for consideration in the next Annual Estimates.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

E. P. Girouard
E. P. Girouard
GOVERNOR.

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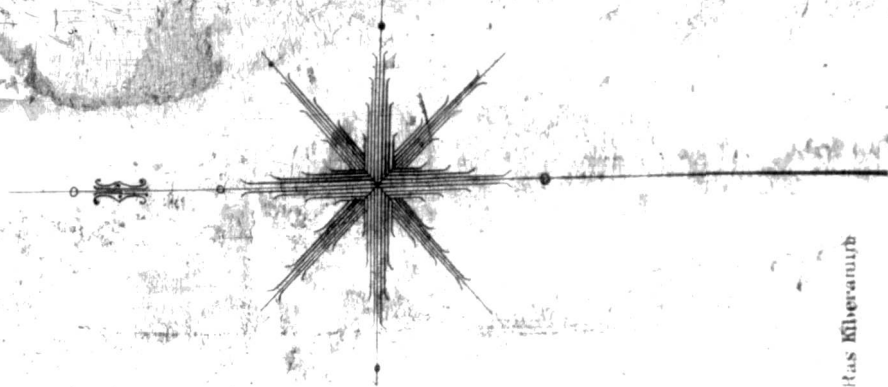
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MOMBASA TOWN





PROBABLE SITE OF RUINDINI FALLS

Kilindi

PORT RUINDINI

Mbaraki Creek

Mbaraki Telegraph & Cable Station

Capt. Grogan

Belong to Govt Land Coloured Grey



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