

Official Report 13 July

The UNDER-SECRETARY of STATE for WAR (Colonel Seely, for Mr. Harcourt): I would refer my hon. Friend to the reply which the Secretary of State for the Colonies gave yesterday to the hon. Member for West Leeds, stating that a report was coming from the Governor.

Mr. RAMSAY MACDONALD: Has not the Report been actually received, and has it not been in the hands of the Colonial Office for some considerable time?

Colonel SEELY: I do not think that can be so, according to the answer of my right hon. Friend. The answer was—

"The Governor of the East Africa Protectorate is sending a full report on the matter, and pending the receipt of his despatch, I think it would be premature to make any statement on the subject before the 13th July, 1911, etc."

The answer was only given yesterday, so it would have been in the hands of the Colonial Office for some considerable time.

Mr. ASHLEY: May I ask what are the questions in regard to the trial of the prisoner?

Colonel SEELY: I am sorry for me to say I cannot give any information of that kind.

Mr. SWIFT MacNEILL: Is the trial for the gentleman against Mr. Cole admitted to be held in a court?

Colonel SEELY: I am sorry but I have no answer for the Report.

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* 1. Mr. Edmund Harvey.—To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies, whether he can now lay Papers dealing with the trial of the Hon. Galbraith Cole for killing a Native suspected of sheep stealing; and whether he will include the judge's report in the Papers to be laid. *Sunday 12 August*

Sir J Anderson

It does not appear that the S. of S. has yet promised to lay papers on this subject, but I presume that he is ready to do so.

We have no knowledge of a judge's report. But we have the official record of the proceedings in the ^{from} Magistrate's Court at Nakuru and in the High Court. These records are enclosed in *Gov* *24472*. They must be published to make clear the ground of the Secretary of State's

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I regret that I am not yet in a position to lay papers on the subject. When papers are laid, they will include the record of the proceedings before the Town Magistrate at Nakuru and of the proceedings before the judge of the High Court of the Protectorate.

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I am not yet in a position to add to my former answers in this matter.

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The SECRETARY of STATE for the COLONIES (Mr. Harcourt): I am not yet in a position to add to my former answers in this matter.

Mr. E. HARVEY: Can the right hon. Gentleman say when it is likely that Papers will be published?

Mr. HARCOURT: No, but I will consider that during the Recess.