

he & his colleagues  
 saw the district almost  
 in its best condition &  
 that it is certain that  
 the steamlets  
 which they met cannot  
 be permanent res. I  
 therefore think  
 you will take the first  
 opportunity of having  
 them further  
 during the  
 season.

I am, Sir,  
 S. Harcourt

Governor  
 Board 98  
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UNION CASTLE LINE  
 ACCOMMODATION FOR INVALIDS

Considers that representations might be made with the  
 object of improving in cases where the medical authorities  
 of the Prot. consider it inadequate or unsuitable. Thinks  
 Gov should consider the advisability of building new steamers  
 for the E.A. Service.

~~Mr. Harcourt~~ Sir G. Fiddes

I gather from Sir G. Fiddes account  
 in Cd/4466 of Africa that there is  
 hope of improvement in the East  
 African Service shortly.

We might perhaps send a copy of this  
 to Sir O. Phillips, & perhaps Sir G. Fiddes  
 would mention other matters to him from  
 time to time. It appears important that  
 the medical arrangements should be

considered as soon as possible  
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~~CS~~

let me have a copy of this

at once P.M. 28

Surprisedly

P.M. 29. 3. 12

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Let me have a copy sent him

at once P.M. 28

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P.M. 29. 3. 12

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,  
NAIROBI, KENYA  
BRITISH EAST AFRICA

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

February 18th 1912.

No. 98

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the accommodation for invalids provided in the steamers of the Union Castle Line.

2. In some of them, as for instance the "Gascon", this is quite good, being situated on the poop in a cool and airy position, well isolated from the other passengers' cabins. In the "Carisbrook Castle", on the other hand, it is placed on the main deck alongside one of the principal gangways, close to a number of hot pipes and in a much frequented part of the ship. Such conditions are not calculated either to accelerate the recovery of patients or to prevent the spread of disease.

3. As the Company has the monopoly of Government passengers and its surgeons receive remuneration for taking charge of invalided officers, I think that representations might very fairly be made with the object of effecting an improvement in the accommodation for invalids in cases where the medical authorities of the Protectorate consider it inadequate or unsuitable.

4. It is of course well known that the vessels at present employed on the East African service

were

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were not constructed to cope with the heat of the Red Sea and the Indian Ocean. The inside cabins, for instance, are quite unsuited for a voyage under such conditions and the saloon accommodation is very insufficient, when, as is now almost invariably the case, the ship is full.

5. It has from time to time been rumoured that the Company contemplates building new steamers for this line and I think that in view of the number of passengers and the amount of cargo they have been carrying recently they might very reasonably do so.

6. In the meanwhile I hope that the necessity of providing proper quarters for the sick may be strongly urged upon them.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your humble, obedient servant,

  
GOVERNOR.