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(Subject)

Mr. J. C. Kyle

Secretary to Agent of C.S.A.

is supposed to be a bad and incompetent. He will however  
be given an opportunity of submitting his resignation.A. Read

(Name)

Mr. Kyle called on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>  
anxious to know as soon as possible  
that who was going to replace him.I think it should not be a copy  
of his full title report & activity  
in our late the party from the  
South report which I have enclo-  
sed for an illustration.

O.S.

Mr. Kyle has no claim at all  
to be appointed to any office through  
himself or his influence. It would be difficult to estimate  
with accuracy sufficient to determine  
the worth of his reputation in  
the South. His reputation is  
- Major

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*R.W.*  
Governor's Office,

Nairobi.

September 7th 1907.

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My Lord,

In confirmation of my telegram No. 130 of the 26th ultimo, I have the honour to transmit herewith copies of a letter from the Director of Surveys reporting unfavourably on the work of Mr. F. C. Kyle and of the remarks of the Commissioner of Lands thereon.

2. Unless Mr. Kyle can furnish a satisfactory explanation I shall have to reconsider the recommendation I submitted to Your Lordship that he be offered the post of Engineer-in-Charge of the ~~drainage~~.

3. Your Lordship will doubtless give him an opportunity of rebutting the accusations of negligence

and

H.M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE.

FORMER COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

and incompetency which have been brought against him.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

Henry Sutton

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Survey Department

Nairobi

10th August 1907.

Sir.

I have the honour to forward for His Excellency's information a report I have received regarding Mr. KYLE's work whilst at Malindi.

The particulars have only recently reached me, although I had begun to suspect that Mr. Kyle was not working well for some little time.

The time covered by this report is from the end of February to the time of Mr. Kyle's being ~~sent back to Mombasa~~ about the age of

The output of work is absurdly small and the inefficiencies discovered in it most discreditable to Mr. Kyle.

I forward these particulars with a request that H.E. may take such steps as he thinks necessary to prevent so incompetent and lazy a gentleman as Mr. Kyle from again being employed by Government.

(Mr.)

Secretary to The Administration  
Through The Commissioner for Lands  
and Treasures.

Mr. Kyle, it may be remembered, went  
abroad without making application for employ-  
ment. It was fortunate for him that he  
had been medically examined and recomman-  
ded a visit to Europe. Since otherwise I  
should have requested H.E. to dismiss him.

I have the Honour to be.

Sir.

Your most obedient servant,

G. Smith

Director of Surveys.

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Nairobi.

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60th July, 1907.

D. G. S.

Hardwick Report asked for on Mr. Kyle's work at Malindi.

On my arrival at Malindi at the end of February of this year, Mr. Kyle had had Messrs. Bassler and Catania employed for about a fortnight in cutting boundary lines of a 2000 acre block applied for by H.M. Davis.

I put Messrs. Bassler and Catania on to other work, and left Mr. Kyle with 22 men to finish this survey, myself, and two adjoining blocks.

Up to the time of Mr. Kyle's leaving Malindi I received from him only one plan of the first 2000-ac. Block. As I was unable to close with this work, I re-measured the only six sides of the block, and found the following errors:-

(In)

In a line of 564 ft.  
an error of 104 ft.

In a line of Bearing 24° and Distance  
156.6, there is an error in Bearing  
of 28° and Distance 28 ft.

In a line of 50750 ft. I find an  
error of 500 ft.

This work was therefore quite useless,  
and had to be resurveyed.

The only other plan I received from Mr.  
Kyle is one drawn to a scale of "One mile  
to an inch". This plan is hopelessly in-  
accurate, and only led me astray.

I have not received plans of any other  
work done by Mr. Kyle.

(sd) T. H. Galbraith,

District Surveyor.

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via Mueller.

I forward a report by the Director of Survey containing an indictment against Mr. Kyle who has gone home on sick leave at the end of his term of engagement. The papers show that he has been very negligent in his duties. It must be noted that he had very bad health at Malindi, and was invalided home.

Also that he has not had an opportunity of giving an explanation of the bad work reported against him. At any rate there is enough to show that he should not be reemployed in the Survey Department.

J. Hutchinson

COMMISSIONER OF LANDS.

~~Govt~~ 25075

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Tues 4 October 1907

DRAFT.

J.C. Kyle Esq

MINUTE.

Mr. Bottomley 4/10

Mr. Rand 4

Mr. Just.

Mr. Antrobus. 5 f.o.

Mr. Cox.

Mr. Lucas.

Sir F. Hopwood.

Mr. Churchill.

The Earl of Elgin.

for concurrence

~~W. Fletcher 30/10/07  
(2nd do. 2 in 35075)~~

Sir,  
With ref to your letter  
of the 12<sup>th</sup> of August I am  
sending you herewith a copy  
of my 7th Oct. 1907 and  
an adverse report on your  
work now in the Survey Dept.  
~~and the recommendations~~ of the S.A.P. for the  
removal of the leadership  
accusing you of being  
responsible for it not  
being possible to proceed  
with your very pleasant  
offer now as a consequence  
of the present state  
of our works.

2. I am to advise the  
Surveyor General to  
submit to you work at  
Cape Helles which was laid  
off before 10 years ago  
to him to direct. It may be  
concluded that the  
Surveyor General has

up for the end of  
January to about the  
end of May, when you  
will make the transition  
as regards your health  
as well as you can manage.

that the facts reported  
reflect discredit on you  
both in respect of the  
amount of work done and  
to your serious inaccuracies  
discovered in it, and the  
most when you are able  
to furnish a satisfactory  
explanation of the cause of  
such a deterioration.

In the name of the Subscribers

R.L.A.