

DESPATCH.

EAST AFR PROT.

No. 36261

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REC 12 OCT 07.

No. 1907 226pt	(Subject.)
Last previous Paper.	

Estimate 1908-9 - Judicial

Pay of Magistrates & 3rd Judges

Decided to extract from Minute from Principal
Judge Hamilton again raising question of reducing
the incremental scale of salary for the magistrate & judgeship
as certain of 2nd class judges should be the same

(Minutes)

Sir R. Head

As long as Collectors (now styled
District Comrns) only get £400
I don't think Magistrates should
be more. As Mr. Justice points
out this is needed to attract
Judge Bulwer Lytton's services

Refuse

10/10/10

No objection

I think that the proposal for
increasing the pay of the magistrate &c.
be considered with care for informing the
Principals of the Collector District Commissioners
It seems to me that the time has gone when

the something ought to be done for the
poor dist^t Comm^r. Taking the first ten
of the officers ^{five have had more than} officers
years' service, & the remaining five have
had ~~more than~~^{less than} ten. There are 6 higher
officers to which they can aspire, but as
at present hollow, has only had about
12 or 13 years' service, the chances of
promotion are practically nil".

Reply all the present proposals will
be considered with due care & response
improving the prospect of the D.C.^r,
which will it is presumed be submitted
with the Estimate for next year?

H. J. R.

15/10

In the Legislative about
translating a law which
I hoped you'd like it to
be passed to increase the salaries
of the District Officers by
10% from an incremental
scale to compensation plan
in the highest, which sum
will have been paid to them
in connexion with their salary.
But the expectables are, I
understand "stationary" effects
in the purpose of that

despatch, and the two cases are therefore, not in ill force. I think, however, that it would be only reasonable to put the magistrate on the scale proposed for Dist. Comr. £400-~~20~~ 500.
The increment should be £20 and not as Mr. Hamilton suggests £5.)

In fact the question admitting that sensible will be considered when we get the copy of the County Register.

W.H. Oct. 19
at home

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Governor's Office,

Re 12 Oct 07

Nairobi;

PAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

September 19th 1907.

No. 309

(Incl. 1)

My Lord,

With reference to Your Lordship's despatch

No. 221 of the 4th May 1906, I have the honour to

submit extract from a Minute by His Majesty's Principal

Judge in connection with next year's Estimates.

The Treasurer concurs in the recommendations made by

His Honour Judge Hamilton, but in view of the orders

contained in Your Lordship's despatch above noted, I have

no confidence in again bringing forward a proposal

to place the Magistrates on an incremental salary.

There is, however, this to be said, that the salary

of the Magistrate at Mombasa used to be £500 and

that of the Magistrate at Nairobi, a special case,

£100, and that all along the Principal Judge has

proposed this reconsideration of the present scale.

H.M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

There

FOR THE COLONIES,

DORING STREET,

LONDON E.C. S.W.

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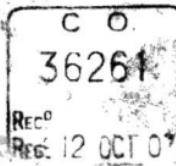
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(Extract)



SECRET

PAY OF MAGISTRATES AND THIRD JUDGE.

Both these matters have been already raised; and on the question of the reduction of the pay of the Magistrates I have already expressed my views both here and at home, but, I regret to say, with a negative result. This reduction was made by the Colonial Office before my scheme for a proposed re-callulation of pay had been considered.

The scheme proposed by me was for Magistrates to be entitled at £1,400 with an annual increment of £25 commencing after the first year's service and continuing till the salary reached £1,800.

I am confident than an impartial consideration of this proposal both on its own merits and with reference to other rates of pay of professional men obtaining in the Protectorate will appear reasonable. For example, a Magistrate Magistrate should not, I think, be less ~~properly~~ ~~fairly~~ treated than a Medical Officer. I certainly feel it is hard that a Magistrate with serious responsibilities should in addition be worried over the question of ways and means.

The third Judge has identically similar powers and responsibilities to those of the second Judge but receives £1,000 a year less salary.

So long as the pay of the Principal Judge remains at £1,000 both his colleagues should, I think, be paid at the

same rate as the second Judge now receives, viz: £.700.

This recommendation was made in last year's estimates but was not sanctioned, and I would ask that it may be approved in the forthcoming estimates.

Sd/- R.W.HAMILTON.

H.M. Principal Judge.

Sgt
36261 D.A.P.

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29 October 1901

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E.A.T. & U.L Conf:

J.W.²

MINUTE

Mr. Lab. 2½.

Mr. Read 24

Mr. Just.

Mr. Atkinson

Mr. Cox.

Mr. Lucas

Sir F. Hennock.

Mr. Churchill

The Earl of Elgin.

Sir
I have the honor
to enclose the receipt
of your despatch of
the 29th of Sept last
relative to the release
of magistrates - the
E.A.T., and to invite your
attention to my copy
despatch of the 27th instant
in connection with
intelligence of the
and the rate of pay
of certain classes of
officers in the Post office
which will obviate
that in the 15th page of
that despatch I have
intimated an salary.

however, I shall be
prepared to consider the

~~admissibility of the evidence~~
~~offered by the Plaintiff~~
~~against the parties of~~
any other amount
say about ~~25-300 pa~~
~~or such rate as may~~
eventually be decided
upon - the use of
District Courts.

3. With regard to the
case of the third
Judge - the C.I.D., I
concur with the
opinion expressed in the
final issue of your draft
interim reply ~~that there~~

~~that no one can~~
~~surrender his office~~
~~without good cause~~