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EAST AFR. PROT.  
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Individual

(Subject)

by Biggs & Co

Grant near Taveta

1907

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Requests a cable be sent asking if they have been granted 15,000 acres Encloses 23 on n/c of cost of cables

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OLLY, BIGGS & CO.,  
MERCHANTS,  
LONDON; 11249 CENTRAL

79, GRACECHURCH STREET,

31 May 1947

The General Secretary of State  
Colonial Office  
London W.

Sir,

We should feel much obliged if you would send a cable to the Consul Office at Nairobi in the British East African Protectorate asking if we have been granted 15,000 acres near Taveta. We are advised that the lease was granted about the 15<sup>th</sup> of December last & we have been in possession since then & are now preparing to sow a considerable area with cotton & other products, cereals.

We should be obliged if you would kindly ask for a prompt reply.

We beg to enclose £3. on acc. of cost of cables

We have, the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient servants  
Jolly, Biggs & Co.

~~Handwritten signature~~

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Following letter to be sent on verbal instructions from Mr. Reed & cost of it \* neatly recovered from Jolly, Biggs

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31 May

Have Jolly Biggs been

granted Terrace across  
15,000

near Taveta frank  
Telegraphically

Ugier

10/23/5  
at on

2nd 1992  
20 May  
Sent 4:25 pm  
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MEMO

East African Protectorate

Nairobi. April 14, 1907

Dear Jolly

Your letter of a private nature to hand, also reports on Cotton. These letters are of great interest, and bear out my verbal opinion as to excellence of ginning so, which you will remember I expressed to you on the occasion of my visiting your ginners a short while ago.

The price is splendid and should if needed encourage you to push on with Cotton if possible, faster than ever. There is money in it. I am looking forward to a trip with you some time through the Taveta district on to Kilimanjaro, but for a month or so my time will be fully taken up in other Departmental matters.

Yours sincerely

O. Powell.

Director of Agriculture.

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H. ATWOOD BEAVER & Co.

6, 17 & 18 Exchange Buildings

Liverpool 21 Feb 1907

Dear Sirs,

The sample you send is almost too small for close valuation but it is pretty Cotton and the stock is good. We should esteem it to be worth 10d to 10yd is a fair current demand for this class of Cotton.

Waiting your further news and such as your service

We are

Yours very truly

H. A. Beaver & Co

Wm. J. Biggs & Co.

R. ALFORD BEAVER & Co.

17 & 18 Exchange Building  
Liverpool.

January 26th 1907

Messrs Jolly Biggs & Co  
79½ Gracechurch St  
London.  
E.C.

Dear Sirs,

**EAST AFRICAN COTTON.** This class of Cotton has of late appeared on the market generally in small lots and in a variety of qualities.

It has generally the character of Egyptian Cotton and has been sold to Spinners of Egyptian who make use of it to mix with Egyptian Cotton. The various qualities range from stained Cotton worth now about 5d per lb, to fine Cotton worth 11d @ 12d. It usually comes up in small bales of 70 @ 200 lbs and the demand for it although somewhat capricious, is fairly good especially for the higher qualities.

Hitherto most of it has come through East Indian firms who apparently ship across to Bombay or Barrackee, and reship it there to Liverpool. It is a class of Cotton of which the Spinner is beginning to take notice and the sale of it is likely to extend and expand. The upper and better grades fluctuate relatively to the value of Egyptian Cotton rather than to the value of American, and the recent building of very many Mills to spin Egyptian in the Bolton and Oldham districts promises good current demand for

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Egyptian Cotton and all Cotton allied to Egyptian. The price of Egyptian is at the present time 103/8d for fully good fair, while Middling American is at 5.90. Such unusually wide differences between Egyptian and American Cotton show an excellent and sustained demand for Egyptian and for its allies and substitutes.

We shall be pleased to furnish valuations on any samples or lots you may wish to sell.

Yours faithfully,  
R. Atwood Beaver & Co.

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