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Administrator General

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Recommends that for the present the duties
be carried out by Registrar of High Court.
Fees that before long a special appl
will have to be made.

(Minutes.)

Mr. Peas.

I must say I think a separate
app^{nt} of Adm. Genl appears necessary.
? approve of these duties being
discharged for the present by the
Reg^l of the H.C. & say that if
the anticipations as to the inability
of anyone except a specially
app^{nt} official to perform them
satisfactorily are borne out
by experience, Lord C. will be
prepared to reconsider the
question of a ^{creating} special office
in connection with the duties
for next year.

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Mr. Cox. So passed?

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Governor's Office,

March

March 20th 1908.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE

No. 130

My Lord,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Lordship's despatch No. 498 of the 30th December last. Enclosed are Minutes by His Majesty's Judges giving their opinion on the question of entrusting the work of the Administrator General to the Registrar of the High Court.

2. It would not be possible for the Crown Advocate to discharge the duties of this office. Mr. Combe is proceeding on leave as soon as the new Land Ordinance is drafted, and the institution of the Legislative Council has thrown a large amount of additional work on his department.

3. His Honour Judge Barth proceeds on leave early in June and it is necessary to arrange as to how the work of the Administrator General is to be carried on in his absence.

4. As a new appointment cannot be created here there are two alternatives:

- (a) to make over the office temporarily to a private practitioner and allow him to take the fees. This cannot be recommended for the reasons given in my despatch No. 474 of the 9th November last.

(b)

H.M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

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(b) to appoint the Registrar of the High Court acting Administrator General.

Though Your Lordship will observe that the Judges as to the latter alternative I have told His Honour the Principal Judge that under the circumstances this seems to me to be the only course to pursue and that I should accordingly have to recommend it.

5. I must, however, say that I fear it cannot be long before it will be necessary to create a new appointment of Administrator General owing to the continued increase of judicial work.

6. It is true that the Registrar has a Deputy, but there has been a re-allocation of work in the Registrar's Office and I am informed that the appointment of the Deputy has already resulted in an increase of 25% in up country court fees, through the detailed supervision it is now possible to exercise over up country cases.

I have the honour to be,
With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

Wm. S. S. S.

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- Mr. Cor.
- Sir C. Lucas
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Mr Churchill
- The Earl of Elgin

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch n^o 130 of the 20th of March last relative to the Office of Administrator General ~~of~~ of Estates of Deceased Persons.

2. I approve of the ~~sentiment of the~~ ~~office~~ being recommended contained in the 4th para of that despatch, namely that the Registrar of the H. Court should be appointed