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(Subject)

Death of Capt Farnall

To Report & certify of Capt Farnall
Capt Godwin for commiseration to Mrs Farnall
with expressions of respect & sympathy

(Minutes)

Mrs Ellis

Indemnity of Hotel in your
verbal notice

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Governor's Office,

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

April 2nd 1908.

No. 141
(incl. 3)

My Lords,

With reference to my telegram of March 22nd, reporting the death of Captain Farnall, I have the honour to transmit herewith the report of Commander Bruce and connected papers from which it appears that the death was due to heart failure. Captain Farnall was the first Commander to join the service, being appointed to the S.S. "Winifred" in July 1900. He was a very careful, reliable officer and his untimely death is deeply regretted by the Service and by all who know him.

Comdr. Bruce
March 28th
Certificate
Capt. Godwin

I would request that a copy of Captain Godwin's letter of the 19th March may be communicated to Mrs. Farnall with an expression of ^{the} sorrow felt by the whole Railway and Protectorate Staff at the sad death of her husband and our sympathy with her and her family in her bereavement.

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

My Lords,

Your Lordship's most obedient,
 humble servant,

H.H. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE
FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET,
LONDON, E.C.

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March 25th, 1908

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R. Grant, Major,

Assistant Local Superintendent (Marine),

Port Clarence

Sir,

I have the honor to report with great regret the sudden death of Captain E. E. Farnall, U.S.N., on board the S.S. "Minifred" in Bukoba Harbour at 8 a.m. on Thursday the 19th March 1908.

He appeared to be quite well in the morning and took the ship from the outer anchorage to the Inner anchorage, anchoring at 6.45 a.m. He sent for me at 7.30 a.m. after having had his bath, and informed me he was dying. The words used being "I'm dying, I'm dying, My heart." these were the last words he spoke.

I administered a little brandy and then sent "Glad" ashore for the Doctor requesting him to come at once.

He died at 8 a.m. and when the Doctor came on board at 9 a.m. after examining him, passed verdict "dead". The Agent was informed at once and the funeral arrangements were taken in hand.

His body was landed in the Cutter towed by "Glad" at 3 p.m. with all available hands from ship. The Commandant with all European staff and escort met near the Government House and accompanied coffin to the European Cemetery. At the grave the Commandant said a few words after which three volleys were fired and the coffin lowered into the grave.

Best certificate from Medical Officer, Bukoba, in original *10*

I have &c.

G. H. Bruce,

Commander,

S.S. "Minifred"

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March 10th 1908.

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This morning I certified the death of Captain
F. W. Wernell who died on board the S.S. "Winifred"
at 8.30 a.m. The possible cause of death was heart
failure.

sd/- D. MARSHALL.

CLOSURE No. 3

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In Despatch No. 144 of 2/12/1908

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Translation.

Bukoba,

March 19th 1909.

Sir,

I have the honour, on behalf of myself and of the Officers and officials of the Residency, to convey to yourself and to the Staff of the Uganda Railway an expression of our deep sympathy and regret at the death of Captain Fennell, Comander of the "Winifred".

Unfortunately the Residency Doctor was unable to be of any assistance to the deceased; he could only establish the fact of his death.

It was felt by all of us as an honour that we were able to accord him the last obsequies, the address at the grave side being delivered by Captain von Stumer.

We shall always keep his memory green.

I have &c.

Sd/- GODOFINS,

Lieut. and Ag. Resident.

F. Currie Esq.,

Manager,

Uganda Railway.

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