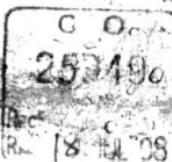
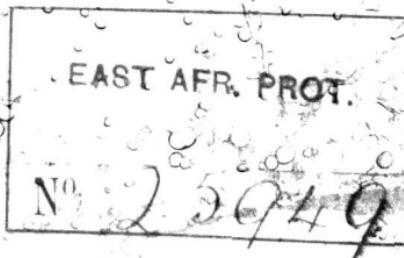


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(Subject.)

Affair of Messrs Carr & Hannigan

for 40000 acres on Kasimpah plateau.
 I submit - with respect from Dr. J. G. Carr
 owner of land. Cannot recommend.

It can done after the application and
 be granted, but it is better wait some
 time. Dr. Carr raised the question - that
 country is off the road makes no difference
 to west with government follow
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Mr. Ellis

Mr. Ellis this morning. He asked for
the reasons why his application
was not recommended, - I told him
that the main objections were:

(a) the area was too large.

(b) the proposed capital expenditure
was too small.

(c) the number of white people to
be settled on the area was in-
sufficient.

I said that if he would put for-
ward more definite proposals they
would receive full-consideration by the
Concession Com.

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Governor's Office,
Mombasa,

June 28th 1908.

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My Lord,

The enclosed papers connected with an application for 40,000 acres on the Uasin Gishu made by Messrs. Carr and Ferguson in March last only reached me today, having been unfortunately mislaid in the Secretariat among the files of papers disposed of.

2. I much regret the incident and am telegraphing to Your Lordship to say that the application will be submitted by the next mail.
3. As regards the application itself I am quite in accord with the views expressed by the Director of Agriculture and the Commissioner of Lands.

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

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,
humble servant,

Henry Parker

Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies

Downing Street,

LONDON, S.W.

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Sir,

I am instructed by a Syndicate of gentlemen interested in stock breeding and farming to make application for an area of 40,000 acres on the Guaso Ngishu plateau for stock raising purposes. They are represented locally by Messrs. Hannigan and Carr of Nairobi and the proposition is as follows:-

1. A capital of £4500 to be invested in stock, Agricultural implements, buildings and other stock plant etc. for stock raising, breeding and agricultural purposes allocated as follows:-

Purchase of breeding cows say	£700
" of 3 imported bulls	(?)
" of 10 " smaller males (Australian)	(?)
" of 1 thoroughbred stallion	(?)
To purchase of native sheep say	£500
" Imported Merino lambs	(?)
To erection of Patrick sheds and incubators say	£150

Balanc... purchase of trained oxen, agricultural
farm buildings and sinking fund.

The Syndicate undertake to immediately place at least four Europeans on the farms together with such stock as buildings etc. are suitable.

I should be glad if this application could be forwarded to the Colonial Office at as early a date as possible as Major Carr is now in England and will proceed to the Colonial Office himself on the matter.

Sd/- Osmond Tonks.

Hon. the Commissioner of Lands,
Nairobi.

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I interviewed Mr. Hannigan who states that the purpose for which the land is being asked for is for Horse and Cattle breeding, that they undertake within one year to expend £2000 on stock, buildings and agricultural instruments - and the balance within a further 3 years - that all guarantees will be given by Major Carr who is now at home and will communicate with Colonial Office on subject. All details regarding individuals representing Syndicate will be given by Major Carr. Dr. Hannigan states that 100 trainedulloch and two skilled stockmen are available to be put immediately on ground. If venture is a success the idea is to import pedigree stock but it is not suggested giving any guarantee beyond that first statement. It is also contemplated to have agricultural experiments in sloughing with oxen above mentioned and trying such crops as may be thought suitable to soil and climate.

A.C.R.N.

March 9th 1888

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(Ministry of Agriculture,

Answered to as requested by the Honourable Commissioner of Lands. Above note represents interview with Dr. Hannigan when I asked him to advance any special reasons for obtaining an abnormal grant like that application.

A.C.R.N.

March 9th

8-8-88.

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No. 11.

Mairobi,

March 17th 1926

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Sir,

The rapid adjustment board after inspecting the land in the Deyon area considered a farm 3000 acres in extent a suitable size for a settler and carried out the boundaries of the land accordingly.

Messrs. Carr and Hannigan ask for 40,000 acres, (13 farms) and only intend placing two white people on this area. The capital also which they propose expending on stocking is not a very great sum distributed over the 13 farms, it is only equal to about £300 per farm which is not much more than that which the Land Board recommended should be spent on permanent improvements on farms of 3000 acres. I do not think this application should receive favourable consideration.

I have &c.,

(S.R.)

Director of Agriculture.

The Land Officer,

Mairobi.

Copy. No. 34

Office of the Governor of Lands,

Nairobi

24th March, 1901.

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Your Excellency,

Messrs. Carr and Hannigan who are partners in this country in transport business, apply for a grant of 40,000 acres on the Uasin Gishu plateau for stock raising purposes, stating that they intend to form a Syndicate to work the business.

I understand that Mr. Carr is possessed of capital, and I trustless money could be provided by the proposed Syndicate, but I am not in favour of so large a grant on such indefinite terms as are stated in the application.

I have consulted the Director of Agriculture whose minute (copy attached) should be read.

We have lately had an Allotment Board marking off farms on the Uasin Gishu. This Board consisted of the Director of Survey, Director of Agriculture, Land Ranger, a settler and two Surveyors. They were of opinion that the land was of such a quality as to warrant the marking off of farms of 1000 acres or more; some were broken up or given a smaller area.

The application would cover 40,000 acres of the farms and no strong grounds could be given for special objections on the Syndicate.

The application asks that Mr. Carr may be allowed to present his case at the Colonial Office, and I will accordingly forward these papers to His Excellency.

I have &c., &c.,

Sd/- J. MONTGOMERY

HIS EXCELLENCY,

The Governor,

Nairobi.