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(Subject)

Survey of Lake Victoria

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His reports on state of Commander Whitehouse's health and present condition of survey. Commr Whitehouse sh^d. be shown every consideration but he sh^d. be required to finish the survey for the unexpended balance of grant viz - £1,529.

(Minute)

Mr. ~~Ad~~ Lintons

Commr Whitehouse seems an unsatisfactory officer

He is always in some a life had health & he is so ill that no one can work with him

£500 more than he is entitled to in the matter of cost of transport to complete the survey

His budget is such as to require a sum of £1,529 to complete what is intended to be done

It is felt that he is being regarded as a man of no account in terms of the agreement of October 99

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Commander Whitehouse should be required to finish his
survey for this amount.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

J. Stewart

... 15th December 1917 ...
... the ...
... the ...
... the ...

... an ...
... the survey by ...

... the ...
... the ...
... the ...

As the period within which it was originally anticipated that the survey could be completed has expired, and unable to grant a seaman Whitehouse any leave, I have however provided him with the cost of a passage to London and have given him a last pay certificate. On arrival in London the Colonial Office will doubtless decide what leave he can be granted.

... his plans and books were with him so that if possible he can work on them at the Admiralty Office in London.

As regards funds, the enclosed statement shows an unexpended balance of £100/- per ...
...
... and his work.

I have ...
Sd/- H.A.F. Currie,
MANAGER,
Holland Railway.

CAIRO.

6th May 1905.

Sir,

I beg to attach herewith tracing showing roughly the area left to be mapped of the Victoria Nyanza, the fast note on tracing gives a length of about 1000 miles etc.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

H/- B. WHITEHOUSE.

Comander.

The Manager,

Uganda Railway-KAMPALA.

From the
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Report on Comman^der B. Whitehouse
In charge of Survey of Victoria Harbor
Salary £ 800.

The lake survey, from climatic conditions and the nature of the work, entails very great hardships on the staff employed. Comman^der Whitehouse is therefore entitled to every consideration that can be granted him. It is due to the work done by himself and his men that our steamers can now be navigated with comparative safety. There is therefore

no question but that he
has done good work
under very unfavourable
conditions.

He is afflicted with a most
uncontrollable temper which
renders it very difficult for
another European or anyone
to serve under him. He is
also of a highly nervous
temperament and always
imagines that he is served
ill when suffering from any
illness. Both these
characteristics serve to make
the labor more trying to him
than to most men.

Being

Seeing that all the
already made has
carried out under
think it would be only
right to ^{take} the opportunity
to compare ^{the}
the Colon ^{with}
so I ^{recommend}
he be given a fixed sum of
money to cover the completion
of the work. As things stand
at present there is no induc-
ement to him to ^{continue}
with the survey in fact
this ^{offer} ^{is} ⁱⁿ ^{fact} ^{the}
relaxation ^{of} ^{the} ^{work}
the work ^{is} ^{not} ^{being} ^{done}
thing to ^{be} ^{done}
If he asks ^{for} ^{it}
must be engaged

possibly be
separated from the Railway and
Moreover, would, I know, be
averse to going back to the

as far as I am aware Lombr
house's relations with the
authorities have been
cordial

Signed H A F Currie
Manager U R

100 King Street,
London E.C. 4,
England

to your note of yesterday's date
herewith the Medical Reports of Com
plaints of your health: these were in
reply to your letter of the 20th.

I am,
Yours,
Your Obed. Servant,

Handwritten signature

Secretary of State

28th April 1908.

Dear Mr. Currie,

There is nothing as far as I can see the matter with
Whitcomb's eye beyond the fact that it is weak as a
result of the inflammation he had two months.

There is certainly nothing which can be done by
operation, the kind of work he is engaged in is inimical
to a speedy and complete recovery and I should naturally
recommend his going home. What his eye wants is rest and not
only that but a general improvement in health, which he
will only get by getting out of the country.

Yours

Edw. S. U. Moffat.

Dear Mr. Gurman,

There is nothing as yet that I can see that will cure
Whitehouse's eye beyond the fact that it is well as
result of the inflammation he had two months.

There is certainly nothing which can be cured by
operation; the kind of work he is engaged in
to a speedy and complete recovery and I should
recommend his going home. What his eye wants is not
only that but a general improvement in health, which he
will only get by getting out of the country.

Yours

Edw. H. U. Telford

EAST AFRICA & UGANDAPROCEEDINGS of MEDICAL BOARD.

A Medical Board composed as under, assembled at Nairobi on the 6th of May 1905 for the purpose of reporting on the eyesight of Commander B. Whittensaps.

President - J. WILL, P.M.O.

Members - (Dr. J. A. Haran.
(Dr. W. J. Radford.

The Board having assembled proceeded to examine his eyes and find that he has a moderate amount of Presbyopia.

There is opacity of the lens of left eye (incipient cataract), floating bodies, and signs of old Retinitis.

There is a history of Conjunctivitis of some standing, now recovered from, and of frequent attacks of Malaria.

The Board recommends that he be invalided to England for change and special treatment.

(Sd.) J. WILL, P.M.O. - President.

(Sd.) J. A. Haran, M.O.

(Sd.) William J. Radford
M.O.

Members

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PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

The Document, being map showing area to be mapped
on west coast of ...

has been referred to

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James B. Whitcomb
RN
Scribner Road
Wilmington (Delaware)

MINUTE.

- Mr. Boston 7/16
- Mr. Ellis 7/22 15/16
- Mr. Andrews
- Mr. Cox
- Mr. Fisher
- Mr. Graham
- Sir H. Montgomery
- The Duke of Marlborough
- Mr. Johnston

Sir,
I am directed by
the Secy. of State to inform
you that a leave certificate
in regard to your
case has been issued
from the Comm^r of the
East Africa, but that
the amount of leave
has been left to
the discretion of the
Secretary of State.

2. With a view to its
being understood what
period of leave should
be granted to you, I
am to request that
you will please inform

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