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Commissioner's Office,
Mombasa,

July 28th 1905.

AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 489

Sir,

Colonel Sadler has sent me a copy of Foreign Office despatch No. 48 of March 3rd, addressed, in his absence, to Mr. George Wilson, asking for a sample of the limestone, which was discovered by Mr. Hobley and forwarded by Mr. Fordage, and for information regarding the deposits.

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a sample of the stone which is obtained on the Island of Businga, situated at the entrance to Kavirondo Gulf on the East side of Lake Victoria, and about forty miles South-west of Kisumu. The stone is in the form of loose boulders ranging in size from small pebbles to large blocks of about twenty cubic feet. These boulders are generally found under a superficial layer of hard rocky earth of

from

H. Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

LONDON.

from two to ten feet in thickness. The whole island appears to consist of a similar geological formation.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

D. Stewart

ST. D. STEWART.

No. 100

Reference P. O. despatch No. 36 of
March 1874.

Enclosure 1.

Received.

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