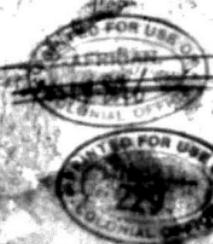


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Swine Fever

To short by Act? C. V. O on recent outbreak & pamphlet on nature of disease & precautions wh. shd. be taken to restrict its ravages.

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Copy (not including pamphlet, unless there is a free copy) to Bd. of Agriculture (Fr. and part. M. 2/9 Am)

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Nairobi,

August 9th, 1907.



My Lord,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of

Your Lordship's despatch No. 259 of June 27th and to

submit in reply a copy of a report by the Acting Chief

Veterinary Officer on the recent outbreak of Swine

Fever in this Protectorate together with a pamphlet

on the nature of the disease and the precautions which

should be taken to restrict its ravages.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

Frederick Treacher

M. Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies

Borough Street,

London, S.W.

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31 AUGUST 1907.

Sir,

I have the honour to report with regards to the late outbreak of Swine Fever in East Africa Protectorate that on May 5th 1907, an outbreak of Swine Fever occurred on the Estates of Lord Delamere at Mjoro and Nelo. The origin of this outbreak could not be traced. Acting on the advice of this Department Lady Delamere caused the entire herd of Swine on the above Estates to be slaughtered; the total number of pigs at the commencement of the outbreak being about 300.

On May 15th Swine Fever occurred on the Farm of Mr. Shillibeer, Muoro River among his herd of 55 pigs. Between May 15th and June 17th all of these had died.

The origin of this outbreak was obscure.

On May 24th Swine Fever appeared among the pigs of Captain Nevison, 5 dying of the disease. Captain Nevison destroyed the remainder 24 in number.

This outbreak was traced to a Boar which had been previously brought from Lord Delamere's Farm Mjoro.

The Nelo and Mjoro Estates of Lord Delamere were placed in Quarantine and the usual measures taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

The Acting Secretary.

To the Administration.

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Owing to the fact that the Farms of Skellorn and Captain Nevinson were a considerable distance apart and as a very large number of farmers between these farms own a few pigs, it was deemed desirable to stop movement of swine in the Kyambu district, adopting special precautions with regard to the infected farms.

Since June 17th (Skellorn's) no case of suspected Swine Fever has been reported at this Office.

On July 1st a Veterinary Officer visited and inspected the farms in the Kyambu ~~district~~ and reported that all the swine appeared healthy.

Should no further outbreaks occur I purpose at the end of August to allow movement by Special permit from one farm to another with the exception of those farms on which the disease occurred.

The Special permit will be issued from this Office on the personal application of owners.

The enclosed Pamphlet was issued and sent to Farmers throughout the country on June 3rd.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. R. Braund

Ag. Chief Veterinary Officer.