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(Subject.)

Mr Chesnaye

Reports on circus which led them to report unfavourably on his qualifications for appt. in Protector's service

(Minutes.)

Private Secretary

H. J. R...

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Mr Bond

I have noted this; it is fatal, I think. - AF. 5/1/06

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Kombasa,

December 7th 1905.

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Sir,

With reference to your confidential despatch of September 21st last I have the honour to state that the circumstances which led me to report favourably on Mr Chesnaye's qualifications for appointment in the Protectorate service were as follows.

When Mr Chesnaye first applied for a post it was thought that he might be employed temporarily in the Police, but Mr Donald, who was asked to interview him, did not consider him suitable.

It appears, though there is nothing to show how such an impression was created, that he has the reputation of being somewhat intemperate. He is also said by several officers, including the Sub-Commissioner of Uvumba, to have abused the Administration.

Taking all these circumstances into consideration I felt that, though the evidence was insufficient to justify me in making any definite statement as to Mr Chesnaye's character, I could scarcely recommend him as a desirable person for employment in the Protectorate service.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient,

humble servant

H. R. Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies.

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London