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War Office, 13th March, 1908. The following Despatches have been received by the Secretary of State for the Colonies :-

Commissioner's Office, Nairobi, 17th April, 1907.

Despatch relating to Field Operations.

I have the honour to transmit herewith, at the request of the Officer Commanding the Troops, a return of minor expeditions in East Africa 1902-06, together with a copy of Colonel

Harrison's covering letter.

I fully concur in the opinion expressed by Colonel Harrison as to the importance of these operations and their satisfactory results, and desire to endorse his recommendations as to the grant of the African General Service medal, with clasp "East Africa, 1902-1906," and of the Officers whose names he has specially brought forward, viz. :-

Lieutenant-Colonel L. H. R. Pope-Hennessy,

4th King's African Rifles. Captain F. W. O. Maycock, 3rd King's African Rifles.

I further desire to bring to your Lordship's notice the names of the following Officers who have done good service in the operations covered by the report, viz.:

Captain F. A. Dickinson, 3rd King's African Rifles.

Captain E. V. Jenkins, D.S.O., 3rd King's African Rifles.

Captain W. E. H. Barrett, 3rd King's African Rifles.

Mr. Partington, East Africa Administration.

Mr. McClure, East Africa Administration. Mr. E. B. Horne, East Africa Administration. Mr. Rayne, East Africa Protectorate Police. Sergeant-Instructor Quest, East Africa Pro-

tectorate Police. l have, &c.,

F. J. JACKSON, Acting Commissioner.

His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, Downing-street, London, S.W. Nairobi, 16th April, 1907.

Sir,

In accordance with the instructions of the Inspector General the King's African Rifles, I have the honour to forward herewith a return of the minor military expeditions in East Africa in which the 3rd Battalion King's African Rifles

was engaged between 1902 and 1906.

During the period under review, in addition to the recent campaign against the Nandi which has been dealt with separately, the troops in British East Africa have been called on five times to operate in various parts of the Protectorate. In four cases the employment of strong patrols has produced the desired effect, while on one other occasion the situation called for a more serious effort in the shape of an organised military expedition before law and order were restored to the disturbed district.

I desire to bring to your notice the names of the following Officers whose services are worthy

of special consideration:

Captain and Brevet Major L. H. R. Pope-Hennessy (Temporary Lieutenant-Colonel, 4th Battalion King's African Rifles) was in command of the Force operating in Sotik from the 7th May to the 12th July, 1905. The late Commismissioner, Sir Donald Stewart, in his despatch, No. 454 of the 14th August, 1905, reported that "Major Pope-Hennessy, who was in command of the column, carried out his work in a most thorough manner, and it was owing to the precautions taken by him that the enemy never had a chance of effecting a surprise or a night attack—their favourite methods of warfare. The officers mentioned in his report all appear to have done good work."

By the severe lesson which he gave the Sotik, which has resulted in a valuable and fertile country being opened to settlement, and by the judgment and restraint with which, in loyal obedience to the spirit of his instructions, he conducted the operations on the Buret-Lumbwa border, Major Pope-Hennessy materially facilitated my subsequent operations against the Nandi, who had counted on the help of their