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Sir,

Foreign Office, 15 June 1899.

THE Marquess of Salisbury has for some time past had under consideration the question of approaching the Royal Niger Company with a view to relieving them of their rights and functions of administration on reasonable terms. His Lordship has arrived at the opinion that it is desirable on grounds of national policy that these rights and functions should be taken over by Her Majesty's Government, now that the ratifications of the Anglo-French Convention of June 14th 1898, have been exchanged, and that the frontiers of the two countries have been clearly established in the neighbourhood of the territories administered by the Company. The state of affairs created by this Convention makes it incumbent on Her Majesty's Government to maintain an immediate control over the frontier and fiscal policy of British Nigeria such as cannot be exercised so long as that policy is dictated and executed by a Company which combines commercial profit with administrative responsibilities. The possibility of the early claim by the French Government to profit by the advantages in the Lower Niger which are secured to them by the Convention, makes it essential that an Imperial Authority should be on the spot to control the development of the policy which actuated Her Majesty's Government in granting those advantages, and to prevent the difficulties which would be sure to arise were the Company's officials alone to represent British interests.

There are, moreover, other cogent reasons for the step now contemplated. The West African frontier force, now under Imperial officers, calls for direct Imperial control; the situation created towards other firms by the commercial position of the Company which, although strictly within the rights devolving upon it by Charter, has succeeded in establishing a practical monopoly of trade; the manner in which this commercial monopoly presses on the native traders, as exemplified by the rising in Brass, which called for the mission of enquiry entrusted to Sir John Kirk in 1895, are some of the arguments which have influenced his Lordship.

The question is not new to the Lords Commissioners, who at Lord Salisbury's suggestion, offered confidentially in November 1897, have had under consideration the terms on which the transfer could be made. Lord Salisbury does not therefore propose to enter into the financial aspect of the case, but would ask their Lordships to endeavour to come to an early settlement with the Company.

I am, &c.  
(signed) *Martin Gosselin.*

The Secretary to the Treasury.

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TREASURY MINUTE, dated 30th June 1899.

The First Lord and the Chancellor of the Exchequer state to the Board that Her Majesty's Government propose to give notice to the Niger Company of Her Majesty's intention to revoke the Charter of the Company.

The Charter contains provision that in case at any time it is made to appear to Her Majesty in Council expedient that the Charter should be revoked, the right and power is expressly reserved, by writing under the Great Seal, to revoke the Charter; nevertheless, Her Majesty's Government have felt

that the company is entitled to full recognition of the position which it has created for itself, and to the rights which it has acquired in the territories covered by the Charter.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has accordingly been in communication with Sir G. T. Goldie, as the Chairman of, and as acting on behalf of the Niger Company, and has concluded with him an agreement, subject to the sanction of Parliament, by which, from the date on which the Charter is revoked:—

The company shall be relieved of all its administrative powers and duties, and shall assign to Her Majesty's Government the benefits of all its treaties and all its land and mining rights of whatever sort and however acquired, but shall retain—except as hereinafter specified—its plant and trading assets, and its stations and waterside depôts, with customary rights of access, buildings, wharves, workshops, and the sites thereof.

On the transfer to them of the above-mentioned powers, duties and rights, Her Majesty's Government will assume entire liability for the annual payment of 12,500*l.*, now a charge upon the administrative revenue of the Company, being interest at 5 per cent. on 250,000*l.*, the public debt of the Niger territories, repayable at par on 1st January 1938.

The right to redeem the stock or any part of it at 120*l.* per 100*l.* stock on 1st January or 1st July in any previous year on giving three months' notice is reserved by the Government.

Within one month after the revocation of the Charter Her Majesty's Government will pay to the Company a sum of £150,000 as the price of the rights aforesaid, and as compensation for the interruption and dislocation of the Company's business which will result from the revocation of the Charter.

Within the same period Her Majesty's Government will pay to the Company a further sum of £300,000, in repayment of sums advanced by the Company from time to time, including interest thereon, for the development and extension of the Niger territory in excess of the revenue from Customs duties and charges levied by the Company under the provisions of the Charter, such advances being in excess of and distinct from the necessary expenses of the ordinary civil administration of the territories.

Her Majesty's Government, on assuming the powers, rights and duties aforesaid, will impose a royalty on all minerals which may be worked in such portion of the British Province of Northern Nigeria about to be established as is bounded on the west by the main stream of the Niger and on the east by a line running direct from Yola to Zinder, provided that such minerals are exported from a British port or pass through a British Custom House.

Her Majesty's Government will pay to the Company, or its assigns, one-half of the receipts from any royalty so imposed for a period of 99 years from the revocation of the Charter, and no specific taxation shall be imposed on the mining interest, as such, which would prevent the imposition of such an amount of royalty as may be compatible with the development of that industry in the territories in question.

On the revocation of the Charter, Her Majesty's Government will take over from the Company its war materials and buildings for administrative purposes, and so much of the Company's plant, including steamers, buildings, and land at stations, wharves, stores, &c., as is specified in the Schedules attached to this Minute. An inventory of the stores taken over is to be settled by an officer nominated by the Government and an officer nominated by the Company not later than 1st October next. A sum of 115,000*l.* is to be paid to the Company for everything included in this clause.

My Lords approve the terms of the Agreement as stated to them by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and direct that an order may be submitted to the Queen in Council revoking the Charter of the Company on a date to be specified in such order.

Let copies of this Minute be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

## SCHEDULE I.

ESTIMATE of Sir R. MOOR for Purchase of Land, Premises, and requisite Plant and Materials from the ROYAL NIGER COMPANY, and Appendices "A." and "B."

## NIGER TERRITORIES DIVISION.

£78,645.

	Amount.	Remarks.
	£ s. d.	
Land at Gulu - - - - -	200 - -	For hospital and rest house for Niger Soudan, and possibly post office.
Existing building at Gulu - - - - -	50 - -	
Agheri—House, stores, and compound for District Head Quarters.	1,000 - -	
Oguta — Hulk, "Claribel," for District Head Quarters and Military Post.	1,100 - -	
Asaba—(i.) Judge's house, furnished, compound and court complete; (ii.) Constabulary house, furnished, and compound; (iii.) Barracks, barrack square and compound; (iv.) Medical house, furnished, and compound; (v.) Gaol as a going concern, complete, and compound; (vi.) All land at Asaba (exclusive of trading house and compound retained by Company).	10,000 - -	
Asaba—Botanical Station opposite Asaba on left bank of river, with European house, other buildings and plantations.	3,700 - -	
Ida—House, furniture, constabulary quarters and compound.	2,000 - -	
Akassa—Upper Beach, consisting of 60 to 80 acres of cleared and made ground, with houses, pier, slipway, machine shops, machinery and details, stores, &c., as shown in Appendix "A."	25,000 - -	This includes 5,000 <i>l.</i> for stores, &c., which are fluctuating in quantity, and would require revision at the actual moment of taking over.
Akassa—Lower Beach, consisting of 140 acres of cleared and made ground, with houses, pier, details and stores, as shown in Appendix "B."	25,000 - -	Ditto - - ditto. The Royal Niger Company retain on this beach for their own dépôt:—
Force—400 men, clothing, accoutrements, arms and ammunition, and war materials generally.	7,200 - -	<i>a.</i> Coal shed. <i>b.</i> Stores 1, 2, and 3. <i>c.</i> Beef stores. <i>d.</i> 1 labourer's house nearest to bridge, with frontage to beach.
Marine.— The steam launch "Bornu" - - - - -	800 - -	<i>e.</i> Present canteen with compound, 200 ft. each way, as shown on accompanying plan.*
Small launch "Stewart" - - - - -	550 - -	
Boats - - - - -	100 - -	
Hulk "Innisfail," now lying at Gregiani - - -	1,945 - -	This hulk could be towed to Burutu for Customs and Post Office work pending the erection of necessary buildings, as there are none available that could be taken over from the Company. She was, I understand, placed at Gregiani for purely administrative work, and would consequently have to be taken over by Her Majesty's Government.
Total - - - - £	78,645 - -	

\* Not reproduced.

## APPENDIX "A."

*Particulars of Details and Stores to be taken over with the Upper Beach.*

	Ft.	Ft.	
European house - - - - -	90	30	with store under.
Apprentice " - - - - -	100	29	On iron piles.
Clerks' " - - - - -	30	18	On mangrove piles.
Carpenters' " - - - - -	51	30	
Engine and fitting shop - - - - -	91	35	
Blacksmiths' shop - - - - -	40	31	
Stores (Engine) - - - - -	50	29	
" (Carpenters') - - - - -	29	11	
" (Boatswains') - - - - -	42	18	
Boat shed - - - - -	50	25	
Store - - - - -	60	30	
" - - - - -	60	30	
" - - - - -	90	30	
" - - - - -	106	40	
Coal shed - - - - -	113	35	
Slip engine shed - - - - -	50	20	
Outhouses, galley, w.c.'s, baths, and labourers' houses, &c.			

## Machinery—

4 lathes, 1 planing machine, 1 slotting, 3 drilling, 1 punching and shearing, 1 set rolls, steam hammer, circular saw, grindstones, &c., locomotive boiler and horizontal shop engine, shafting, pulleys, &c., forges, vices, slabs, cupolas, foundry tools, lead tools, jacks, tackles, &c.

## Details—

Ships' moorings and buoys, flagstaff, lamps, fire appliances, 1 station gig, 2 surf boats, some canoes, &c., all complete, bells, saluting guns, &c.

## Stores—

Too numerous to detail.

## APPENDIX "B."

*Particulars of Details and Stores, &c., to be taken over with the Lower Beach, Akassa.*

Houses, &c. :—	Ft.	In.	Ft.	In.
European house, with stores below - - - - -	106	0	21	6
Clerks' house, on mangrove piles - - - - -	70	0	30	0
Billiard room, " " " - - - - -	30	6	24	6
Printing house - - - - -	24	0	20	4
Customs and post office, 30 ft. x 25 ft. and 24ft. x 16 ft., built on bank				
Stores (No. 4 on plan)* - - - - -	83	6	38	0
" (No. 5 on plan—brick)* - - - - -	84	0	48	0
Store - - - - -	60	0	30	0
Boat shed - - - - -	60	0	23	0
Store - - - - -	60	0	15	0
Boatswain's store - - - - -	60	0	30	0
" - - - - -	60	0	30	0
General store " - - - - -	60	0	15	0
Carpenter's store - - - - -	84	0	42	0
Guard room, galley, w.c.'s, baths, wash-houses, boys' house, live stock, compound, &c.				
Krooboy's house, 90 ft. x 30 ft. each (to hold 300 men).				
Hospital - - - - -	60	0	25	0

## Details—

Ships' moorings and buoys, flagstaff, lamps, fire appliances, 2 gigs, 2 surf boats, canoes, &c., bells, saluting guns, &c.

\* Not reproduced.

*Memorandum explanatory of Schedule.*

(i.) I would premise by stating that the valuations in the Estimate B. are only approximate and liable to variation in the event of valuation being taken on the spot. Sir George Goldie has probably put them rather on low side in most cases to avoid any appearance of successive demands in the event of local valuation being required.

(ii.) *Asaba.* I should propose transferring headquarters to this station from Old Calabar. In consultation with Colonial Office I have by cable stopped the erection of large gaol at Old Calabar, which was just commencing, as the Asaba gaol would serve for entire territories, and if taken over only a small prison at Old Calabar would be required.

(iii.) *Akassa.* Upper and Lower Beaches. These valuations Sir George Goldie settled in consultation with his Board of Directors, and the amounts given are those which the Company is prepared to accept. In the Company's books I understand that the "Upper Beach" stands at £43,008 and the Lower Beach at £59,243. These sums appear high, but it must be taken into consideration that in both cases the land had to be reclaimed and made up from swamp—which entails very heavy expenditure. I am personally acquainted with Akassa and know this to be the case—also that to make any fresh station it would be necessary to reclaim swamp and make it up for the purpose.

(iv.) *Akassa, Upper Beach.* This includes slipway and machine shop, which I consider it is most important should be in the hands of Government when it is remembered the large number of Governmental steamers and launches in use, and the dependence on them of the transport. All existing Protectorate launches from Opobo to Benin would be sent for repairs to Akassa. I have stopped erection of machine shop at Dagma pending decision as regards Akassa shops, but if these are not taken over I should advise the erection of one there. Appendix A. gives full particulars. If the shops be taken over by Government the repairs to launches, &c., of trading firms would be carried out in or about actual cost, the "rule of the forge" holding good except in cases of emergency, when Government would take precedence.

(v.) *Akassa, Lower Beach.* The taking over of this is in my opinion a matter of great importance, in order that equal facilities may be provided for all persons wishing to trade in the Niger. This point is the depôt for all the Niger trade, or nearly so at present, though the Company depôt to some extent at Burutu. If the Company retain their present beach it will be almost impossible for rival firms to establish in the Niger owing to the expense they would be put to in forming depôt, reclaiming swamp, and making land. The same applies in the question of Government buildings, the erection of which would be at very heavy expense even if suitable site could be procured. It is possible that depôts, Queen's and bonded warehouses might be made at Burutu, but owing to Niger navigation it would seem essential that these should exist at both places. If the Government take over this Beach as suggested, all traders coming in would have depôt ready for them in Queen's and bonded warehouses at one of the points, and sufficient buildings would be left to the Company for their depôt. The erection of Queen's and bonded warehouses at Burutu would take some time. There would of course be usual rental charged for storage in such warehouses.

(vi.) I estimate to take over portion of the Company's force, and lay great stress on the importance of this. I have estimated for re-arming this force in Schedule C. with the Lee-Metford rifle. It is now armed with Sniders.

24th December, 1898.

R. MOOR,  
(Her Majesty's Commissioner.)

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SCHEDULE II.

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WAR MATERIALS, Administrative Buildings, Vessels, &c., to be taken over by the Government of Northern Nigeria from the ROYAL NIGER COMPANY, with Notes as at Price assessed, &c.

I.—Buildings, Land, &c.

(a.) *JEBBA ISLAND.*—The only land on either bank to be retained by the company will be Port Illorin (below the cliffs), with river frontage as may be precisely determined later. There is a mud wall house on the island which, however, will not be of much use to Government, and is old and dilapidated. It may serve as a store if re-roofed.

(b.) *LOKOJA.*—Everything, except the trading station and bank between it and the river, will be taken over. This includes a large and valuable two-storey house, together with the land round the station and down to the river, and a good parade ground. Also a quartermaster's and three other stores, each 60 ft. by 15 ft., a new store, 60 ft. by 30 ft.,

guard room of stone (two storeys), 30 ft. by 30 ft., hospital, 60 ft. by 15 ft., orderly room, 80 ft. by 12 ft., and a valuable magazine on Stirling Hill, and the musketry range. Also two iron stores (60 ft. by 30 ft) near the river bank, with surrounding land.

(c.) *IBI.*—Government House, which I understand is a very good building in an excellent position, 44 ft. by 20 ft., four brick outhouses and an armoury (iron), 60 ft. by 30 ft., with a masonry boundary wall, 120 yards square and 8 feet high, in good condition, with adjoining land. The whole offered at 12,000*l.*\*

It is impossible to say what is the value of the land included in these areas. All of it has been acquired by private purchase and cleared at considerable cost. The buildings will be of great value to Government. Though not personally acquainted with all the buildings enumerated, and as yet ignorant of the precise areas to be retained by the new trading company, I am, generally speaking, of opinion that the sums asked are fair, and even moderate, and that a local valuation would probably result in their increase rather than their decrease, while it is certain that by private sale the company could obtain higher prices.

II.—*War Materials, including Arms and Accoutrements, Ammunition, Clothing and Sundries.*

Value - - - - -	£
Less taken by South Nigeria - - - - -	17,069
	7,200
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	£ 9,869

The value of these is not in question, the sums shown being the book value accepted by the Treasury. The question of their being taken over by Government is also not at issue, since they are part of the administrative machinery which the Treasury have agreed to take over, and a private trading company would not be allowed to hold these war materials. A portion of the artillery will be useful, as also of the Sniders (for arming civil constabulary); the remainder may perhaps later be disposed of to other colonies; the clothing will be utilised as far as possible. In this may be included the electric search light, 344*l.*

III.—*Vessels.*

(a.) Two hulks, "Africa" and "Nigretia," book value - - - - -	£
(b.) One stern-wheeler, "Liberty" - - - - -	6,900
(c.) Five launches, "Zaria," "Argus," "Borgu," "Bende," and "Benue" - - - - -	9,500
(d.) Two pinnaces, "Frances" and "Busybody" - - - - -	3,150
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	£ 19,900

The value of these are, I understand, to be proved from the books of the company. The company are not anxious to get rid of these, but they are of absolutely vital importance to Government, since the Niger is the main artery on which the life and existence of the administration must depend, and its navigation is the sole means of importing stores and building material, and of carrying on the postal and other services. The two hulks are administrative, and must be taken; they will be most useful. The "Liberty" is the sole boat capable of carrying a cargo; the launches must supplement her as far as possible, and will also be used for postal and administrative purposes.

F. D. LUGARD,  
(Her Majesty's Commissioner.)

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\* Includes Senior Executive Officer's house and small native house in town and compound.



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NOTES ON THE NIGER DISTRICTS AND NIGER COAST PROTECTORATES,  
1882—1893.

*National Africa Company.*

In 1882 a Company, entitled the "National African Company, Limited," was formed to take over the business of the "United Africa Company, Limited," in Central Africa and in the Niger Regions.

*Treaties with Native Chiefs.*

In October 1884, the Company purchased the business and objects of the "Compagnie Française de l'Afrique Equatoriale." In the same year various Treaties were concluded between Consul Hewett and native chiefs of the Niger Districts, by which these territories were placed under British protection. (*See List, page 17, &c.*)

*Navigation of the River Niger.*

On the 26th February 1885, the General Act of the Berlin Conference was signed, Chapter V. of which contained an "Act of Navigation for the Niger," which applied, generally, to the Niger and its affluents the free navigation articles of the Final Act of the Congress of Vienna of 1815.

*British and German Spheres of Influence.*

In April-June 1885, the British and German Governments entered into an Agreement, by an exchange of Notes, defining their respective spheres of action in the Gulf of Guinea. By this Agreement Germany engaged not to make acquisition, accept Protectorates, or interfere with the extension of British influence in that part of the Gulf of Guinea lying between the right river bank of the mouth of the Rio del Rey entering the sea between 8° 42' and 8° 46' long. east of Greenwich and the British colony of Lagos, nor in the interior, to west of a line following the right river bank of the Rio del Rey from the said mouth to its source, thence striking direct to the left river bank of the Old Calabar or Cross River, and terminating, after crossing that river, at the point about 9° 8' of long. east of Greenwich, marked "Rapids" on the English Admiralty chart.

*British Protectorate. Niger Districts.*

On the 5th June, 1885, a Notification was inserted in the "London Gazette" to the effect that a British Protectorate had been established over the Niger Districts; the territories comprised within the Protectorate were defined to be—the line of coast between the British Protectorate of Lagos, and the right or western bank of the mouth of the Rio del Rey; and also the territories on both banks of the Niger, from its confluence with the River Benué at Lukoja to the sea, as well as the territories on both banks of the River Benué, from the confluence up to and including Ibi (page 11).

*Royal Charter, National Africa Company.*

On the 10th July, 1886, a Royal Charter was granted to the "National African Company, Limited" (page 11).

*British and German Spheres of Influence.*

In July—August, 1886, a Supplementary Agreement was entered into between the British and German Governments defining their respective spheres of action in the Gulf of Guinea from the Rio del Rey to a point to the east and near to Yola.

*British Protectorate. Niger Districts.*

On the 18th October, 1887, another Notification was inserted in the "London Gazette," in which it was stated that the British Protectorate of the Niger Districts then comprised the following territories:—On the line of coast between the British Protectorate of Lagos and the right or western river bank of the mouth of the Rio del Rey, and all territories in the basin of the Niger and its affluents, which were or might be for the time being subject to the government of the "National African Company, Limited" (then called the "Royal Niger Company"), in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the said Company, dated 10th July, 1886 (see page 16).

*British and French Spheres of Influence.*

On the 5th August, 1890, a Declaration was signed by the British and French Governments, which contained the following clause:—

"The Government of Her Britannic Majesty recognises the sphere of influence of France to the south of her Mediterranean Possessions up to a line from Say on the Niger to Barrawa on Lake Tchad, drawn in such manner as to comprise in the sphere of action of the Niger Company all that fairly belongs to the kingdom of Sokoto; the line to be determined by Commissioners to be appointed."

*British and German Spheres of Influence.*

On the 1st July 1890, another Agreement was entered into between the British and German Governments defining their spheres of influence in the Gulf of Guinea and in other parts of Africa.

*Prohibition against Alcoholic Liquors.*

On the 18th June 1892, that portion of the Niger Protectorate which lies on, or to the north of, the 7-degree of north latitude was, by notification to the Signatory Powers of the Brussels Act, placed under the terms of Art. 91 of that Act, within the zone of prohibition of alcoholic liquors.

*British and German Spheres of Influence. Rio del Rey.*

On the 14th April 1893, an agreement was signed between the British and German Governments, in which it was declared that the right bank of the Rio del Rey waterway should be the boundary between the Oil Rivers Protectorate and the Colony of the Cameroons.

*Niger Coast Protectorate.*

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On the 13th May 1893, a Notification was inserted in the "London Gazette," announcing that the portion of the British Protectorate of the Niger Districts which was under the administration of Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul would, from the date of that Notification, be administered under the name of the "Niger Coast Protectorate," and would cease to be known as the "Oil Rivers Protectorate." (Page 35.)

And on the 15th November 1893, a further Agreement was signed between the British and German Governments defining the boundary between their respective spheres of influence in the region extending from the Rio del Rey to "a point to the east of, and close to Yola," and on Lake Chad.

*Treaties with Native Chiefs.*

Between 1884 and 1893 numerous Treaties were concluded by the National Africa Company and by the Royal Niger Company with native Chiefs and others possessing territories in the basin of the Niger districts, by which they engaged to make no cession of territory or to enter into any Treaty negotiations with Foreign States without the previous consent of the British Government, and in return for which they were placed under British protection. (A list of these Treaties is given at page 17, &c.)

NOTIFICATION of the British Protectorate of the Niger Districts.  
Foreign Office, 5th June, 1885.

It is hereby notified for public information that, under and by virtue of certain Treaties concluded between the month of July last and the present date, and by other lawful means, the territories on the West Coast of Africa, hereinafter referred to as the Niger Districts, were placed under the Protectorate of Her Majesty the Queen from the date of the said Treaties respectively.

The British Protectorate of the Niger Districts comprises the territories on the line of coast between the British Protectorate of Lagos and the right or western bank of the mouth of the Rio del Rey. It further comprises the territories on both banks of the Niger, from its confluence with the River Benué at Lukoja to the sea, as well as the territories on both banks of the Benué, from the confluence up to and including Ibi.

The measures in course of preparation for the administration of justice and the maintenance of peace and good order in the Niger Districts will be duly notified and published.

[This notification was inserted in the "London Gazette" of 5th June, 1885.]

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THE ROYAL NIGER COMPANY,  
CHARTERED AND LIMITED.

ROYAL CHARTER.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith. To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting :—

Whereas an humble Petition has been presented to Us, in Our Council, by the National African Company, Limited, of 34 to 40, Ludgate Hill, in the City of London (hereinafter referred to as "the Company").

And whereas the said Petition states (among other things) that the Petitioner Company was incorporated in the year 1882, under the Companies Acts, 1862 to 1880, as a Company limited by Shares. And that the Capital of the Company is 1,000,000*l.*, divided into 100,000 Shares of 10*l.* each, with power to increase. And 91,675 of such shares have been subscribed

for and issued; and a further 6,000 of such Shares have been subscribed for and are about to be issued, making in all, 97,675 of such shares. And that the objects of the Company, as declared by the Memorandum of Association of the Company, are (amongst others) the following, that is to say:—

- To carry on business and to act as merchants, bankers, traders, commission agents, shipowners, carriers, or in any other capacity, in the United Kingdom, Africa, or elsewhere, and to import, export, buy, sell, barter, exchange, pledge, make advances upon, or otherwise deal in goods, produce, articles, and merchandise, according to the custom of merchants, or otherwise.
- To form or acquire and carry on trading stations, factories, stores, and depôts in Africa or elsewhere, and to purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire, carry on, develop, or improve any business or any real or personal property in the United Kingdom, Africa, or elsewhere, or any undivided or other interest whatsoever therein respectively.
- To apply for, acquire, and hold any Charters, Acts of Parliament, privileges, monopolies, licences, concessions, patents, or other rights or powers from the British Government, or any other Government or State, or any potentate or local or other authority in Africa or elsewhere; to exercise, carry on, and work any powers, rights, or privileges, so obtained; and to constitute or incorporate the Company as an anonymous or other Society in any foreign Country or State.
- To purchase, or otherwise acquire, open and work mines, forests, quarries, fisheries, and manufactories; and to stock, cultivate and improve any of the lands of the Company, erect buildings thereon, and sell the produce thereof.
- To do all other things whatsoever, whether of the like or other nature, which the Company may consider in any way incidental or conducive to the foregoing objects or any of them.

And whereas the Petition further states that the Kings, Chiefs, and peoples of various territories in the basin of the River Niger, in Africa, fully recognising, after many years' experience, the benefits accorded to their countries by their intercourse with the Company and their predecessors, have ceded the whole of their respective territories to the Company by various Acts of Cession specified in the Schedule hereto.

And whereas, in consideration of such Cessions, the Company agreed, amongst other things, not to interfere with any of the native laws and not to encroach on or to interfere with any private property unless the value should be agreed upon by the Owner and the said Company, and payment made of such value.

And whereas the Petitioners further state that the Company, since their incorporation, have been actively engaged in carrying into effect the objects stated in the aforesaid Memorandum of Association, and have purchased the business of all European traders in the regions aforesaid, and are now the sole European traders there, and are now engaged in developing the resources of such regions and in extending trade further into the interior.

And whereas the Petition further states that the Company and their predecessors, whose businesses they purchased, have, during many years past, expended large sums of money and made great exertions in and about acquiring the confidence of the said native Kings, Chiefs, and peoples, which have resulted in the said cessions of territory, and large expenditure will be incurred in carrying the same into effect and discharging the obligations arising thereunder.

And whereas the Petition further states that the condition of the natives inhabiting the aforesaid territories would be materially improved, and the development of such territories and those contiguous thereto, and the civilization of their peoples would be greatly advanced if We should think fit to confer on the Company, and the Petitioner Company therefore most humbly pray that We will be graciously pleased to grant by Our Royal Charter authority to accept the full benefit of the several Cessions aforesaid, and all

such other powers and authorities in relation to the premises as to Us may seem meet, subject nevertheless to such conditions as We may think fit to impose. 429

And whereas the Petition further states that if such authority were conferred on the Petitioner Company they would thereby be enabled to render to Our Dominions services of much value, and to promote the commercial prosperity of many of Our Subjects.

Now, therefore, We, having taken the said Petition into Our Royal consideration, in Our Council, and being satisfied that the intentions of the Petitioner Company are praiseworthy and deserve encouragement, do hereby will, ordain, grant, and declare as follows, that is to say:—

*Authorisation to Company.*

1. The said NATIONAL AFRICAN COMPANY, LIMITED (in this Our Charter referred to as "the Company"), is hereby authorised and empowered to hold and retain the full benefit of the several Cessions aforesaid, or any of them, and all rights, interests, authorities, and powers for the purposes of government, preservation of public order, protection of the said territories, or otherwise, of what nature or kind soever, under or by virtue thereof, or resulting therefrom, and ceded to or vested in the Company in, over, or affecting the territories, lands, and property comprised in those several Cessions, or in, over, or affecting any territories, lands, or property, in the neighbourhood of the same, and to hold, use, enjoy, and exercise the same territories, lands, property, rights, interests, authorities, and powers respectively for the purposes of the Company and on the terms of this Our Charter.

*Fulfilment by the Company of Promises given.*

2. The Company shall be bound by and shall fulfil all and singular the stipulations on their part contained in the Acts of Cession aforesaid, subject to any subsequent agreement affecting those stipulations approved by one of Our Principal Secretaries of State (in this Our Charter referred to as "Our Secretary of State").

*British Character of the Company.*

3. The Company shall always be and remain British in character and domicile, and shall have its principal Office in England; and its principal representative in the Territories aforesaid, and all the Directors shall always be natural born British subjects, or persons who have been naturalised as British subjects, by or under an Act of Parliament of Our United Kingdom.

*Restriction of Transfer by Company.*

4. The Company shall not have power to transfer, wholly or in part, the benefit of the Cessions aforesaid, or any of them, except with the consent of Our Secretary of State.

*Foreign Powers.*

5. If at any time Our Secretary of State thinks fit to dissent from or object to any of the dealings of the Company with any foreign Power, and to make to the Company any suggestion founded on that dissent or objection, the Company shall act in accordance therewith.

*Slavery.*

6. The Company shall, to the best of its power, discourage and, as far as may be practicable, abolish by degrees any system of domestic servitude existing among the native inhabitants; and no foreigner, whether European or other, shall be allowed to own Slaves of any kind in the Company's territories.

*Religions of Inhabitants.*

7. The Company as such, or its Officers as such, shall not in any way interfere with the religion of any class or tribe of the people of its territories, or of any of the inhabitants thereof, except so far as may be necessary in the

interests of humanity; and all forms of religious worship and religious ordinances may be exercised within the said territories, and no hindrance shall be offered thereto except as aforesaid.

*Administration of Justice to Inhabitants.*

8. In the administration of Justice by the Company to the peoples of its territories, or to any of the inhabitants thereof, careful regard shall always be had to the customs and laws of the class, or tribe, or nation to which the parties respectively belong, especially with respect to the holding, possession, transfer, and disposition of lands and goods, and testate or intestate succession thereto, and marriage, divorce, and legitimacy, and other rights of property and personal rights.

*Treatment of Inhabitants Generally.*

9. If at any time Our Secretary of State thinks fit to dissent from or object to any part of the proceedings or system of the Company relative to the people of its territories, or to any of the inhabitants thereof, in respect of slavery or religion, or the administration of Justice, or other matter, and to make to the Company any suggestion founded on that dissent or objection, the Company shall act in accordance therewith.

*Facilities for British National Ships.*

10. The Company shall freely afford all facilities requisite for Our Ships in the harbours of the Company.

*Flag.*

11. The Company may hoist and use on its buildings, and elsewhere in its territories, and on its vessels, such distinctive flag indicating the British character of the Company as Our Secretary of State and the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty shall from time to time approve.

*General Powers of Company.*

12. The Company is hereby further authorised and empowered, subject to the approval of our Secretary of State, to acquire and take by purchase, cession, or other lawful means, other rights, interests, authorities, or powers of any kind or nature whatever, in, over, or affecting the territories, lands, or property comprised in the several Treaties aforesaid, or any rights, interests, authorities, or powers of any kind or nature whatever, in, over, or affecting other territories, lands, or property in the region aforesaid, and to hold, use, enjoy, and exercise the same for the purposes of the Company, and on the terms of this Our Charter.

*Questions of Title.*

13. If at any time Our Secretary of State thinks fit to object to the exercise by the Company of any authority or power within any part of the territories comprised in the several Cessions aforesaid, or otherwise acquired by the Company, on the the ground of there being an adverse claim to that part, the Company shall defer to that objection.

*Prohibition of Monopoly.*

14. Nothing in this Our Charter shall be deemed to authorise the Company to set up or grant any monopoly of trade; and subject only to customs duties and charges as hereby authorised, and to restrictions on importation similar in character to those applicable in our United Kingdom, trade with the Company's territories under our protection shall be free and there shall be no differential treatment of the subjects of any Power as to settlement or access to markets, but foreigners alike with British Subjects will be subject to administrative dispositions in the interests of commerce and of order.

The customs duties and charges hereby authorised shall be levied and applied solely for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses of government, including the administration of justice, the maintenance of

order, and the performance of Treaty obligations, as herein mentioned and including provision to such extent and in such a manner as our Secretary of State may from time to time allow for repayment of expenses already incurred for the like purposes or otherwise, in relation to the acquisition, maintenance, and execution of Treaty rights.

The Company from time to time, either periodically or otherwise, as may be directed by Our Secretary of State, shall furnish accounts and particulars in such form, and verified, in such manner as he requires, of the rates, incidence, collection, proceeds, and application of such duties, and shall give effect to any direction by him as to any modification of the description, rate, incidence, collection, or application of any such duties.

*Conformity to Treaties.*

15. The Company shall be subject to and shall perform, observe, and undertake all the obligations and stipulations relating to the River Niger, its affluents, branches, and outlets, or the territories neighbouring thereto, or situate in Africa, contained in and undertaken by Ourselves under the General Act of the Conference of the Great Powers at Berlin, dated the twenty-sixth February, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, or in any other Treaty, Agreement, or Arrangement between Ourselves and any other State or Power, whether already made or hereafter to be made.

*Foreign Jurisdiction.*

16. In all matters relating to the observance of the last preceding Article or to the exercise within the Company's territories for the time being of any jurisdiction exercisable by Us under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, or the said General Act of the twenty-sixth February, One thousand eight hundred and eighty-five, the Company shall conform to and observe and carry out all such directions as may from time to time be given in that behalf by Our Secretary of State, and the Company shall, at their own expense, appoint all such Officers to perform such duties and provide such Courts and other requisites for the administration of Justice as he directs.

*General Provisions.*

And We do further will, ordain, and declare that this Our Charter shall be acknowledged by Our Governors, and Our naval and military Officers, and Our Consuls, and Our other Officers in Our Colonies and possessions, and on the high seas and elsewhere, and they shall severally give full force and effect to this Our Charter, and shall recognize and be in all things aiding to the Company and its Officers.

And We do further will, ordain, and declare that this Our Charter shall be taken, construed, and adjudged in the most favourable and beneficial sense for and to the best advantage of the Company, as well in Our Courts in Our United Kingdom, and in Our Courts in Our Colonies or possessions, and in Our Courts in Foreign Countries, or elsewhere, notwithstanding that there may appear to be in this Our Charter any non-recital, mis-recital, uncertainty or imperfection.

And We do further will, ordain, and declare that this Our Charter shall subsist and continue valid, notwithstanding any lawful change in the name of the Company, or in the Articles of Association thereof, such change being made with the previous approval of Our Secretary of State signified under his hand.

And We do, lastly, will, ordain, and declare that in case at any time it is made to appear to Us in Our Council expedient that this Our Charter should be revoked, it shall be lawful for Us, Our heirs and successors, and We do hereby expressly reserve and take to Ourselves, Our heirs and successors, the right and power, by writing, under the Great Seal of Our United Kingdom, to revoke this Our Charter, without prejudice to any power to repeal the same by law belonging to Us or them, or to any of Our Courts, Ministers, or Officers, independently of this present declaration and reservation.

*Schedule of Treaties.*

One dated January 31, 1884.	One dated September 29, 1884.	Two dated October 23, 1884.
One " August 20, 1884.	One " October 2, 1884.	One " " 25, 1884.
One " " 28, 1884.	Three " " 9, 1884.	One " " 26, 1884.
One " " 29, 1884.	Three " " 10, 1884.	One " " 27, 1884.
One " " 30, 1884.	Two " " 11, 1884.	One " " 28, 1884.
One " September 20, 1884.	One " " 13, 1884.	One " " 29, 1884.
One " " 23, 1884.	One " " 15, 1884.	One " " 31, 1884.
One " " 24, 1884.	One " " 16, 1884.	One " November 1, 1884.
One " " 25, 1884.	Two " " 21, 1884.	One " " 2, 1884.
One " " 27, 1884.	Two " " 22, 1884.	

In witness whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

Witness Ourselves at Westminster, the tenth day of July, in the fiftieth year of Our Reign.



By Warrant under the Queen's Sign Manual,

MUIR MACKENZIE.

[The above Schedule necessarily contains only the Treaties made up to the date of the Petition (12th February, 1885). A very much larger number of additional Treaties had been made during the interval prior to the issue of the Charter, covering all the Territory on both banks of the Niger (including the Benué and other affluents) which had been left untouched by the Treaties in the Schedule. These new Treaties fall under Clause 12 of the Charter.

The name of the Company has been changed from the National African Company, Limited, to the Royal Niger Company, Chartered and Limited, with the previous approval of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs as required by the Charter.]

#### NOTIFICATION of the British Protectorate of the Niger Districts.

The National African Company, now called the Royal Niger Company.  
Foreign Office, 18th October 1887.\*

It is hereby notified for public information that, under and by virtue of certain Treaties concluded between the month of July 1884, and the present date, and by other lawful means, the territories in West Africa hereinafter referred to as the Niger Districts are under the Protectorate of Her Majesty the Queen.

The British Protectorate of the Niger Districts comprises the territories on the line of coast between the British Protectorate of Lagos, and the right or western river bank of the mouth of the Rio del Rey. It further comprises all territories in the basin of the Niger and its affluents, which are, or may be for the time being, subject to the government of the National African Company, Limited (now called the Royal Niger Company), in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the said Company, dated the 10th July 1886.

The measures in course of preparation for the administration of justice and the maintenance of peace and good order in the Niger Districts will be duly notified and published.

[This Notification appeared in the "London Gazette" of 18th October 1887.]

\* See also Notifications of 5th June 1885, and 13th May 1893.



LIST of Treaties concluded between the Royal Niger Company and Native  
Chiefs, 1884—1892.

\* The Treaties marked thus \* are those referred to in the Charter of 10th July 1886, and are all included within the proclaimed Protectorate.

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF TREATIES. (For Forms see later.)

Name.	No.	Form.
Abarra	103	5
Abinsi ...	182	4
Aboh*	76	1
Abojaga	149	5
Abragada	88	5
Abutshi	111	5
Achiagi	208	6
Adagua	143	5
Adanapa	298	5
Addaw	219	6
Adiawazi	71	5
Adigbo	164	4
Adjarra	144	5
Affer ...	65	5
Agagba	58	5
Agbeni	25	5
Agberi* (Azama)	51	5
Agegba	147	5
Agesa (Agu)	216	6
Agezeh (or Ageyeh)	304	Various.
Agita ...	183	4
Agodamah	20	5
Agoubiri	24	5
Agooron	29	5
Agwebiri (or Agwehhibi)	289	9
Agwey*	89	1
Agwobhiri	285	9
Agwey ...	206	4
Ajuberi	238	5
Akaboh	325	10
Akabri ...	15	5
Akapotshi	326	10
Akassa ...	3	Various.
Akaw ...	6	5
Akedda	267	5
Akoumbri	26	5
Akow* ...	52	1
Akpa ...	180	4
Akpama and Omoluku	173	4
Akpeh ...	57	5
Akpoko	168	4
Akri Ugidi*	95	1
Akri*	105	3
Akuroe	148	5
Alatubeni	278	5
Alonso*	104	3
Allah ...	134	5
Amakofia Ubi	327	10
Amara	166	4
Amassama (Moasamah Creek)	23	5
Amassamah (Ayakruamak to Baccabo)	240	5
Amowa	178	4
Anamobe	131	5
Angalabiri	40	5
Angiama (next higher to Angalabiri)	34	5
Angiama (Angiama to Akakoraga)	9	5
Anyama (Great)	59	5
" (Small)	60	5
Anyappa	211	5
Applebiri	33	5
Arago (see Channa).		
Aroua ...	30	5
Asaba*	130	2
Ass (Assay)*	54	1
Ashakah	63	5
Asheku	204	4

Name.	No.	Form.
Atani* ... .. .	106	3
Atayn and Atakapari ... .. .	169	4
Atshaka (see Opai Atshaka).		
Atshara ... .. .	121	5
Aupanam* ... .. .	132	2
Awakoraga (or Awakorogar)... .. .	11	5
Ayakruama ... .. .	239	5
Ayama (or Azama) ... .. .	10	5
Ayelli ... .. .	172	4
Ayinshi ... .. .	205	4
Azenueli ... .. .	15	5
Azebobiri ... .. .	45	5
Babalabri ... .. .	16	5
Baccabo ... .. .	242	5
Bagumar ... .. .	217	6
Bajembor ... .. .	195	8
Bakepike ... .. .	13	5
Bakundi ... .. .	310	5
Bakurana ... .. .	181	4
Balabri ... .. .	277	5
Balagola ... .. .	243	5
Bapasa ... .. .	188	8
Bassa (Ayelli) ... .. .	162	4
„ (Abaji) ... .. .	163	4
Bassama ... .. .	314	Various.
Batoro ... .. .	18	5
Batsunor ... .. .	187	Various.
Bautshi ... .. .	316	„
Bawuru ... .. .	167	4
Bazeni ... .. .	207	4
Beaufort Island ... .. .	295	5
Beriwosoo ... .. .	209	6
Boawi ... .. .	215	6
Bomodija ... .. .	241	5
Bomodigi ... .. .	17	5
Borgu (Boussa) ... .. .	303	Various.
Borotu ... .. .	244	5
Boulah ... .. .	233	4
Brahmio ... .. .	234	4
Burulu ... .. .	194	8
Byonga ... .. .	186	4
Chagabo ... .. .	184	4
Channa and Arago ... .. .	306	4
Chomul ... .. .	229	4
Chosah ... .. .	220	6
Condra ... .. .	221	6
Dampala ... .. .	309	Various.
Demsa ... .. .	315	„
Doma ... .. .	305	4
Donga ... .. .	320	Various.
Eberede ... .. .	61	5
Eberedene ... .. .	55	5
Eboo ... .. .	139	5
Ecebri ... .. .	283	9
Edoni ... .. .	279	5
Efeku ... .. .	146	5
Effeta ... .. .	126	5
Egbador ... .. .	137	5
Egbanatoro ... .. .	281	9
Egbeddi ... .. .	22	5
Egbuku ... .. .	62	5
Egbu-ku ... .. .	328	10
Egbu-n-ta ... .. .	329	10
Egovi (or Egorie) ... .. .	156	Various.
Egweh ... .. .	155	5
Ejoda ... .. .	157	5
Ekebire ... .. .	286	9
Ekebri ... .. .	12	5
Ekperiwari ... .. .	68	5
Ekualo ... .. .	330	10
Emblama ... .. .	49	5
Enowarri ... .. .	285	9
Epedeh ... .. .	44	5
Esajoto ... .. .	274	5
Esangama ... .. .	245	

Name.	No.	Form.
Evorogbo ... ..	56	
Finchah ... ..	247	
Foonoweh ... ..	273	5
Foropah ... ..	275	5
Froukuma ... ..	246	5
Gana Gana ... ..	249	5
Gando (1st) ... ..	236	Various.
" (2nd) ... ..	318	"
Gandy ... ..	159	"
Gashaka ... ..	317	4
Gbebi (or Ghebo) ... ..	296	9
Gloria Ibu ... ..	120	5
Gongomo ... ..	312	10
Goolah ... ..	248	5
Huboru* ... ..	133	2
Ibatsha ... ..	85	5
Ibo (see Gloria Ibo).		
Ibouza ... ..	294	9
Idu (see Okaba Idu).		
Iga* ... ..	127	1
Igabo ... ..	73	5
Igara (Ogardoo)* ... ..	158	1
Igbaku (or Ibaku)* ... ..	125	1
Igbokeyen ... ..	136	5
Igi ... ..	185	4
Ikambri ... ..	5	5
Ikolo ... ..	14	5
Ikarawa ... ..	198	8
Illah ... ..	179	4
Illushi ... ..	140	5
Ilorin ... ..	302	Various.
Imgboro ... ..	192	8
Imputa ... ..	87	5
Imusu (see Okija Imusu).		
Inde-Akakwa ... ..	331	10
Inishi (see Ganapura).		
Inyehreh ... ..	151	5
Isara ... ..	260	5
Ishara ... ..	196	8
Ishequa and Assay* ... ..	91	1
Isi Amudirossa ... ..	342	10
Itshicke (see Okija Itshicke).		
Itshicke and Umuneosa ... ..	332	10
Izin ... ..	262	5
Jachan ... ..	228	5
Jangan ... ..	231	4
Jibu ... ..	308	Various.
Kabrania ... ..	28	5
Kanzu ... ..	203	4
Katishi (see Ojo).		
Katsena Alla ... ..	200	8
Kiama ... ..	47	5
Kobama ... ..	250	5
Kolama ... ..	1	1
Korokorossi ... ..	287	9
Kwana ... ..	311	10
Laffia ... ..	307	4
Laffiagi ... ..	301	Various.
Lapai ... ..	300	"
Lobia ... ..	276	5
Mamimquassa ... ..	222	6
Mamondo ... ..	212	6
Matulu ... ..	27	5
Maveo ... ..	218	6
Mpoli ... ..	115	5
Munakor (see Osomari).		
Mungonor ... ..	193	8
Mungova ... ..	190	8
Muri ... ..	321	7
Neawe ... ..	177	4
N'doni* ... ..	77	1
Nsube ... ..	118	5
Ntegi ... ..	116	5
Nufali ... ..	226	6
Nubar ... ..	202	4

Name.	No.	Form.
Numan ... ..	232	4
Nupé (1st) ... ..	322	Various.
" (2nd) ... ..	323	"
N'yamchadda ... ..	225	6
Obagwa ... ..	259	5
Obba ... ..	293	5
Obeallah ... ..	141	5
Obeze (see Opai Obezi).		
Obiagwey ... ..	96	5
Obikwere ... ..	66	5
Obilako ... ..	333	5
Obiodiobiri ... ..	35	5
Obirikom ... ..	82	5
Obokeno ... ..	251	5
Obohiki ... ..	291	5
Oboro (Obokino to Orudda) ... ..	253	5
" (from the sea to Forobeni) ... ..	280	5
Oburoto ... ..	84	5
Ode ... ..	135	5
Odekwe* ... ..	108	3
Odeleque ... ..	138	5
Odogoberi ... ..	254	5
Odoni ... ..	50	5
Odugiri* ... ..	90	1
Ofinama ... ..	48	5
Ofonibahan ... ..	70	5
Ofunobiri ... ..	284	5
Ogalay (Great) ... ..	37	5
" (Small) ... ..	36	5
Ogardoo (see Igara).		
Ogbakuma* ... ..	101	5
Ogidi ... ..	290	10
Ogoh ... ..	255	5
Ogollama ... ..	32	5
Ogrugu* ... ..	129	1
Ogu (or Ogoo)* ... ..	94	1
Ogu Anotsha ... ..	86	5
Ojo and Kateshi ... ..	160	4
Ojo* ... ..	128	1
Ojogo ... ..	174	4
" (Upper) ... ..	175	4
Ojormah* ... ..	112	2
Okaba ... ..	75	5
Okaba Idu ... ..	81	5
" Omuku ... ..	80	5
Okija Imusu ... ..	264	5
" Itshicke ... ..	78	5
" Umudara ... ..	79	5
Okka ... ..	324	10
Oko Amakon* ... ..	110	3
" Anara* ... ..	109	3
" Onono* ... ..	113	2
Okobeni ... ..	256	5
Okoloba ... ..	252	5
Okomedu ... ..	100	5
Okoro ... ..	227	4
Okortundor ... ..	201	8
Oliodiana ... ..	38	5
Ologbobiri ... ..	268	5
Omoku (see Okaba Omoku) ... ..		
Omou (Anambarra)* ... ..	123	1
Omourum ... ..	122	5
Ondawarri ... ..	269	5
Onia* ... ..	53	1
Onimasha ... ..	165	4
Oni'sha* ... ..	114	2
Onono (see Oko Onono)		
Onougu ... ..	124	5
Opai* ... ..	92	1
" Atshaka ... ..	261	5
" Obeze ... ..	93	5
Opal ... ..	230	4
Opchamah ... ..	257	5
Opokoni ... ..	154	5
Opokuma ... ..	46	5

Name.	No.	Form.
-Oporo (or Oporano) ...	8	5
Oputuwarri ...	270	5
Orea ...	145	5
Oreilla ...	341	10
Orjie ...	234	10
Orudda ...	258	5
Osebiti* ...	107	3
Osepi, &c. ...	171	4
Osiamah ...	271	5
Osomari and Munakor* ...	99	1
Osutshi Ane Otsha ...	102	5
Otagba ...	64	5
Ottah ...	153	5
Otuwa ...	272	5
Outshi (see Utshi) ...		
Owere ...	335	10
Ozara ...	336	10
Ozormor (or Orgomor) ...	7	5
Pakiamia ...	39	5
Palava ...	191	8
Pampam ...	223	6
Patani (Big Patzani)* ...	42	1
Permobri (or Perenobri) ...	4	5
Poulabouga ...	282	9
Quanati ...	214	6
Qué ...	224	6
Rebohu, &c. ...	161	4
Sabagrea (or Sabagregor)* ...	21	1
Saghama ...	41	5
Samabri ...	67	5
Sansagi ...	199	8
Sefajia ...	210	6
Sengana ...	2	5
Shonga ...	299	Various.
Sinbuko (or Sintako) ...	297	9
Sokoto (1st) ...	237	Various.
” (2nd) ...	319	”
Takum ...	313	9
Tigga ...	197	8
Temboh ...	31	5
Todama ...	152	5
Tombiah ...	19	5
Torofani (or Torro Tanni) ...	43	2
Ubi (see Amakofia Ubi) ...		
Ubesui ...	337	10
Udo ...	338	10
Ugi ...	142	5
Ukukwa (see Inde Ukukwa) ...		
Umari ...	119	5
Umoru ...	72	5
Umotshi ...	98	5
Umuazu ...	266	5
Umaba ...	339	10
Umudara (see Okija Umudara) ...		
Umudirossa (see Ibi Umudirossa) ...		
Umuetsi ...	263	5
Umugor ...	265	5
Umuneosa (see Itshicke) ...		
Umuada ...	340	10
Umuogi ...	117	5
Unkwuch ...	292	10
Utoku ...	69	5
Utshi Obonu (or Oboma, Utshi Owere and Obatsha)* ...	97	1
Utu ...	74	5
Uta Rupari (see Abaga) ...		
Yanapura or Inishi ...	176	4
Zungwali ...	235	4
Zuwo ...	170	4

## TREATIES under Form No. 1.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Aboh* ... ..	76	October 2, 1884.
Agwoy* ... ..	89	" 9, "
Akow* ... ..	52	" 26, "
Alri Ugidi* ... ..	95	" 11, "
Ase (Assay)* (Wari Branch)	54	January 31, "
Iga* ... ..	127	October 31, "
Igara ... ..	158	September 23, "
Igbaku (or I baku)* ... ..	125	October 23, "
Ishequa and Assay* ... ..	91	" 10, "
Kolama ... ..	1	December 18, "
Munakor (see Osomari).		
N'doni* ... ..	77	October 9, "
Odugiri ... ..	90	" 10, "
Ogbalcuma* ... ..	101	" 15, "
Ogu (or Ogoo)* ... ..	94	" 11, "
Ogrugu* ... ..	129	November 1, "
Ojo* ... ..	128	" 2, "
Omon (Anambarra)* ... ..	123	October 23, "
Onia* ... ..	53	" 21, "
Opai* ... ..	92	" 27, "
Osomari and Munakor* ... ..	99	" 16, "
Patani (Big Patani)* ... ..	42	" 22, "
Sabagrea (or Sabagregor)* ... ..	21	" 29, "
Torofani (Terro Tanni)* ... ..	43	" 21, "
Utshi, Obama, Utshi Owere, and Obatsha*	97	" 13, "

## FORM No. 1.

After the \_\_\_\_\_ years' experience, we, the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_, fully recognise the benefit accorded to our country and people by our intercourse with the National African Company (Limited), and, in recognition of this, we now cede the whole of our territory to the National African Company (Limited), and their administrators, for ever. In consideration of this, the National African Company (Limited) will not interfere with any of the native laws, and also not encroach on any private property unless the value is agreed upon by the owner and the said Company.

The National African Company (Limited) will reserve to themselves the right of excluding foreign settlers.

Any quarrel that may exist with any other tribe at any time, or in the event of any dispute arising between the \_\_\_\_\_ and territory, shall at once be referred to the National African Company (Limited) or their representative at the time.

We, the \_\_\_\_\_ and district, do hereby agree to afford assistance at any time for the protection of the said Company's property and people.

As per mutual consent of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the foregoing Agreement, the National African Company (Limited) agreed to pay \_\_\_\_\_

Pro the National African Company (Limited),

DAVID McINTOSH.

In approval of the foregoing Agreement, we, the \_\_\_\_\_, do herewith affix our names as under.

We, the Undersigned, are witnesses to the marks of the \_\_\_\_\_, and also vouch for their understanding what they have signed.

I do hereby declare that the foregoing Agreement was duly and correctly explained to the above \_\_\_\_\_, and they fully understood it.

Declared before me at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18 \_\_\_\_\_.

EDWARD HYDE HEWETT,  
Her Britannic Majesty's Consul.

(Consular seal affixed here.)

## TREATIES under Form No. 2.

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Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Asaba ... ..	130	August 28, 1884.
Aupanam ... ..	132	October 22 "
Huboru ... ..	133	" 25, "
Ojormah ... ..	112	August 30, "
Okono Onono ... ..	113	" 29, "
Onitsha ... ..	114	" 20, "
Onono (see Oko Onono) ... ..		

## Form No. 2.

We, the \_\_\_\_\_, after \_\_\_\_\_ years' experience, fully recognize the benefit accorded to our country and people by their intercourse with the National African Company (Limited), and in recognition of this we now cede the whole of our territory to the National African Company (Limited), and their administrators for ever.

In consideration of this, the National African Company (Limited) agree:—

1. The said Company will not interfere with any of the native laws, and will not encroach on any private property unless the value is agreed upon by the owner and the said Company.
2. The said Company will not interfere with any of the ground now occupied by the natives of the country unless agreed to by both sides.
3. The said Company reserve to themselves the right of excluding foreign settlers other than those now settled in the country.
4. The said Company agree to respect the rights of the native land-owners, and the said Company will not take possession of their land without payment of the same.

Done in triplicate, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_

*Pro* the National African Company (Limited),

DAVID McINTOSH.

Witness to the above mark signatures :

I, the Undersigned, do hereby declare this Agreement was correctly interpreted, and the natives fully understood what they signed.

N. ROBERT TAYLOR.

Thus declared by N. Robert Taylor, before me, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_

EDWARD HYDE HEWETT,  
*Her Britannic Majesty's Consul.*

(Consular seal affixed here.)

## TREATIES under Form No. 3.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Akri ... ..	105	September 29, 1884.
Alonso ... ..	104	" 27, "
Atani... ..	106	" 20, "
Odekwe ... ..	108	" 24, "
Oko Amakom ... ..	110	October 10, "
Oko Anara ... ..	109	" 9, "
Osebiti ... ..	107	September 25, "

## Form No. 3.

We, the Undersigned  
in consideration of the benefit that is done to our country by their establishing factories in it, do hereby cede the whole of our country to the National African Company (Limited), and their administrators, for ever, and do hereby undertake not to allow any other persons to settle in it without the National African Company's consent.

In consideration of such privilege being granted to them, the National African Company (Limited) do hereby on their part undertake :—

Firstly.—To respect all native laws and customs of the country, and not to interfere with the existing rights of any of the natives without first obtaining their consent.

Secondly.—To assist the  
in everything that may conduce to the welfare of the country and to the promotion of Trade.

Should the National African Company (Limited) require land at any place in the country ceded to them for any purpose whatever, they, the National African Company (Limited), will compensate the owner or owners thereof.

The National African Company (Limited) reserve to themselves the right of excluding any foreigners from the country should they think fit.

In consideration of the foregoing privilege accorded the National African Company (Limited), the National African Company (Limited) agrees to pay a yearly duty of \_\_\_\_\_ measured, local value, to

*Pro* the National African Company (Limited),

D. McINTOSH.

We, the Undersigned, are witnesses to the marks of the \_\_\_\_\_, and also vouch for their understanding what they have signed.

Done in triplicate, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_\_.

I certify the signatures of \_\_\_\_\_ as being those of the persons themselves, and, further, that a copy of this Agreement has been handed to me for registry in my Consulate.

EDWARD HYDE HEWETT,

*Her Britannic Majesty's Consul.*

(Consular seal affixed here.)

## TREATIES under Form No. 4.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Abinsi	182	March 3, 1885.
Adigbo	164	May 16, "
Agita...	183	April 27, "
Ahwey	206	December 25, "
Akpa	180	March 16, "
Akpama and Omoluku	173	" 18, "
Akpoko	168	April 30, "
Amara	166	May 5, "
Amowa	178	March 16, "
Arago (see Channa).		
Ashiku	204	April 10, "
Ataya and Utukupari	169	May 26, "
Ayelli	172	March 17, "
Ayinshi	205	April 9, "
Bakurana	181	" 25, "
Bassa (Ayelli)	162	May 27, "
Bassa (Abaji)	163	" 21, "
Bawuru	167	" 5, "
Bazeni	207	April 10, "
Boulah	233	October 3, 1886.
Brahmio	234	" 3, "



Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Byonga ... ..	186	April 18, 1885.
Chagabo ... ..	184	" 11, "
Channa and Arago ... ..	306	March 7, "
Chomul ... ..	229	July 18, "
Doma ... ..	305	May 22, "
Gashaka ... ..	317	April 20, "
Igi ... ..	185	" 11, "
Illah ... ..	179	" 18, "
Inishi (see Yanapura).		
Jangan ... ..	231	July 19, "
Kanza ... ..	203	April 10, "
Kateshi (see Ojo).		
Laffia ... ..	307	December 16, "
Neawe ... ..	177	April 18, "
Nuhar ... ..	202	" 11, "
Numan ... ..	232	July 19, "
Ojo and Kateshi ... ..	160	May 13, "
Ojogo ... ..	174	March 18, "
Ojogo (Upper) ... ..	175	April 13, "
Okoro ... ..	227	" 9, "
Onimasha ... ..	165	May 7, "
Omolulu (see Akpama).		
Opal ... ..	230	August 14, "
Osepi, &c. ... ..	171	April 29, "
Riboh, &c. ... ..	161	May 7, "
Utukupari (see Ataya).		
Yanapura or Inishi ... ..	176	April 16, "
Zungwali ... ..	235	October 3, 1886.
Zuwo ... ..	170	March 19, 1885.

## Form No. 4.

AGREEMENT made on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1885, between \_\_\_\_\_ on the one hand, and the National African Company (Limited) on the other hand.

We, the undersigned King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, with the view to the bettering of the condition of our country and people, do this day cede to the National African Company (Limited), their heirs and assigns, for ever, the whole of our territory extending from \_\_\_\_\_

We also give to the said National African Company (Limited) full power to settle all native disputes arising from any cause whatever, and we pledge ourselves not to enter into any war with other tribes without the sanction of the said National African Company (Limited).

We also understand that the said National African Company (Limited) have full power to mine, farm, and build in any portion of our \_\_\_\_\_

We bind ourselves not to have any intercourse with any strangers or foreigners except through the said National African Company (Limited), and we give the said National African Company (Limited) full power to exclude all other strangers and foreigners from their territory at their discretion.

In consideration of the foregoing, the said National African Company (Limited) bind themselves not to interfere with any of the native laws or customs of the country, consistently with the maintenance of order and good government.

The said National African Company (Limited) agree to pay native owners of land a reasonable amount for any portion they may require.

The said National African Company (Limited) bind themselves to protect the said King and Chiefs from the attacks of any neighbouring aggressive tribes.

In consideration of the above, the said National African Company (Limited) have this day paid the said King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_ goods to the value of \_\_\_\_\_, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

This Agreement having been interpreted to us, the above-mentioned King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, we hereby approve and accept it for ourselves and for our people with their consent, and in testimony of

this, having no knowledge of writing, do affix our marks below it, and I Egbert Dangerfield, for and on behalf of the said National African Company (Limited), do hereby affix my hand.

(For David MacIntosh),

EGBERT DANGERFIELD.

We, the undersigned witnesses, do hereby solemnly declare that the King and Chiefs whose names are placed their respective have in our presence affixed their of their own free will and consent, and the said has in our presence affixed his signature.

*Declaration by Interpreter.*

I, native of , do hereby solemnly declare that I am well acquainted with the language, and that on the day of , 1885, I truly and faithfully explained the above agreement to all the Chiefs present, and that they understood its meaning.

TREATIES under Form No. 5.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Abarra	103	November 11, 1884.
Abojaga	149	March 11, 1885.
Abragada	88	" 31, "
Abutshi	111	February 24, "
Adagua	143	March 7, "
Adanapa	298	February 4, "
Adiawayi	71	" 23, "
Adjarra	144	March 7, "
Affor	65	December 5, 1884.
Agagba	58	" 9, "
Agbeni	25	October 26, 1885.
Agberi	51	April 16, 1884.
Agegba	147	March 7, 1885.
Agodamah	20	June 12, "
Agoubiri	24	October 26, "
Agoorou	29	" 27, "
Ajuberi	238	June 18, 1888.
Akabri	15	" 12, 1885.
Akaw	6	" 10, "
Akedda	267	November 13, 1886.
Akoubri	26	October 27, 1885.
Akpeh	57	December 10, 1884.
Akuroe	148	March 10, 1885.
Alatubeni	278	September 8, 1888.
Allah	134	December 20, 1884.
Amassama (Moasamah Creek)	23	October 26, 1885.
Amassamah (Ayakruamah to Baccabó)	240	June 14, 1888.
Anamobo	131	December 24, 1884.
Angalabiri	40	" 27, "
Angjama (next higher to Angalabiri)	34	" 27, "
Angjama (Angjama to Awakoraga)	9	June 10, 1885.
Anyama (Great)	59	December 9, 1884.
Anyama (Small)	60	" 9, "
Applebiri	33	February 17, 1885.
Afoua	30	October 27, "
Ashakah	63	December 6, 1884.
Atshaka (sec Opai Atshaka)		
Atshara	121	" 4, 1885.
Awakoraga	11	June 11, "
Ayakruama	239	" 13, 1888.
Ayama	10	" 11, 1885.
Ayennch	150	March 12, "
Ayebobiri	45	April 24, 1884.
Babalabri	16	June 12, 1885.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Baccabo	242	June 16, 1888.
Bakepipe	13	" 11, 1885.
Bakundi	310	February 18, "
Balabri	277	September 7, 1888.
Barigola	243	June 12, "
Batoro	18	" 12, 1885.
Beaufort Island	295	February 18, "
Bomodija	241	June 12, 1888.
Bomodigi	17	" 12, 1885.
Borotu	244	June 16, 1888.
Eberede	61	December 9, 1884.
Eberedeno	55	" 10, "
Eboo	139	" 22, "
Edoni	279	September 7, 1888.
Effeku	146	February 25, 1885.
Effeta	126	March 26, "
Egbador	137	" 6, "
Egbeddi	22	October 26, "
Egbuku	62	December 8, 1884.
Egweh	155	March 17, 1885.
Ejoda	157	" 26, 1885.
Ekebri	12	June 11, "
Ekperiwari	68	February 23, "
Emblama	49	April 23, 1884.
Epedeh	44	" 9, "
Esajoto	274	September 5, 1888.
Esangama	245	June 13, "
Evorogbo	56	December 10, 1884.
Finabah	247	June 16, 1888.
Foongweh	273	September 12, "
Foropah	275	" 6, "
Froukama	246	June 17, "
Gana Gana	249	" 16, "
Gloria Ibo	120	April 12, 1885.
Goolah	248	August 28, 1888.
Ibatsha	83	" 16, 1885.
Ibo (see Gloria Ibo).		
Idu (see Okaba-Idu)		
Igabo	73	February 21, "
Igbokeyen	136	March 3, "
Ikambri	5	June 10, "
Ikolo	14	" 11, "
Illushi	140	February 28, "
Imputa	87	March 28, "
Imusu (see Okija Imusu).		
Inychreh	151	August 20, "
Isara	260	February 24, "
Itshicke (see Okija Itshicke).		
Izin	262	December 19, 1884.
Jackan	228	August 12, 1885.
Kabiama	28	October 27, "
Kiama	47	April 23, 1884.
Kobama	250	June 13, 1888.
Lobia	276	September 5, "
Matulu	27	October 27, 1885.
Mpoh	115	June 6, "
Nsube	118	February 27, "
Ntegi	116	" 23, "
Obagwa	259	April 4, 1886.
Obeallah	141	March 7, 1885.
Obeze (see Opai Obeze).		
Obiagwey	96	February 28, "
Obikwere	66	January 5, "
Obiodibiri	35	December 27, 1884.
Obirikom	82	September 21, 1886.
Obokeno	251	June 18, 1888.
Oboro (Obokeno to Orudda)	253	" 18, "
" (from the sea to Forobeni)	280	September 7, "
Oburoto	84	August 16, 1885.
Ode	135	December 23, 1884.
Odeleque	138	" 22, 1885.
Odogoberi	254	June 18, 1888.
Odoni	50	April 15, 1884.
Ofinama	48	" 24, "
Ofonibahan	70	February 23, 1885.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Ogalay (Great) ... ..	37	June 15, 1886.
" (Small) ... ..	36	December 27, 1884.
Ogoh ... ..	255	June 18, 1888.
Ogollama ... ..	32	December 27, 1884.
Ogu Anotsha ... ..	86	April 28, 1886.
Oguta ... ..	85	March 23, 1885.
Okaba ... ..	75	February 21, "
" Idu ... ..	81	October 16, 1886.
" Omoku ... ..	80	" 15, "
Okija Inusu ... ..	264	November 4, "
" Itshicke ... ..	78	September 26, 1885.
" Umudara ... ..	79	" 27, "
Okobeni ... ..	256	June 18, 1888.
Okoloba ... ..	252	" 18, "
Okomedu ... ..	100	March 4, 1885.
Olodianna ... ..	38	June 15, 1886.
Ologbobiri ... ..	268	November 11, "
Omoku (see Okaba Omoku).		
Omourum ... ..	122	September 9, 1885.
Ondawarri ... ..	269	November 11, 1886.
Onougu ... ..	124	March 27, 1885.
Opai Atshaka ... ..	261	December 12, 1884.
Opai Obeze ... ..	93	March 29, 1885.
Opokoni ... ..	154	" 16, "
Opehamah ... ..	257	June 18, 1888.
Opokuma ... ..	46	April 24, 1884.
Oporo ... ..	8	June 10, 1885.
Oputuwarri ... ..	270	November 11, 1886.
Orea ... ..	145	February 27, 1885.
Orudda ... ..	258	June 18, 1888.
Osiamah ... ..	271	November 11, 1886.
Osutshi Anc Otsha ... ..	102	" 17, 1884.
Otagba ... ..	64	July 29, 1885.
Ottah ... ..	153	March 13, "
Otuwa ... ..	272	November 6, 1886.
Oyormor ... ..	7	June 10, 1885.
Pakiana ... ..	39	October 17, 1886.
Permabri ... ..	4	June 9, 1885.
Saghama ... ..	41	December 29, 1884.
Samabri ... ..	67	February 23, 1885.
Sengana ... ..	2	December 17, 1884.
Timboh ... ..	31	October 28, 1885.
Todama ... ..	152	March 12, "
Tombiah ... ..	19	June 12, "
Ugi ... ..	142	December 27, 1884.
Umari ... ..	119	February 27, 1885.
Umuogi ... ..	117	June 4, "
Umoru ... ..	72	February 23, "
Umotshi ... ..	98	March 4, "
Umuazu ... ..	266	December 19, 1884.
Umudara (see Okija Umudara).		
Umuetshi ... ..	263	" 19, "
Umugor ... ..	265	" 19, "
Utoku ... ..	69	February 23, 1885.
Utu ... ..	74	" 22, "

## Form No. 5.

We, the undersigned Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, with the view to the bettering of the condition of our country and people, do this day cede to the Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited), for ever, the whole of our territory extending from \_\_\_\_\_

We also give to the said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited) full power to settle all native disputes arising from any cause whatever, and we pledge ourselves not to enter into any war with other tribes without the sanction of the said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited).

We understand that the said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited) have full power to mine, farm, and build in any portion of our country.

We bind ourselves not to have any intercourse with any strangers or foreigners except through the said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited).

In consideration of the foregoing, the said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited) bind themselves not to interfere with any of the native laws or customs of the country, consistently with the maintenance of order and good government.

The said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited) agree to pay native owners of land a reasonable amount for any portion they may require.

The said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited) bind themselves to protect the said Chiefs from the attacks of any neighbouring aggressive tribes.

The said Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited) also agree to pay the said Chiefs \_\_\_\_\_ measures native value.

We, the undersigned witnesses, do hereby solemnly declare that the Chiefs whose names are placed opposite their respective crosses have in our presence affixed their crosses of their own free will and consent, and that the said \_\_\_\_\_ has in our presence affixed his signature.

Done in triplicate at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 188 .

*Declaration by Interpreter.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby solemnly declare that I am well acquainted with the language of the \_\_\_\_\_ country, and that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188 , I truly and faithfully explained the above agreement to all the Chiefs present, and that they understood its meaning.

TREATIES under Form No. 6.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Achiagi ... ..	208	August 16, 1885.
Addaw ... ..	219	April 27, "
Agesa (Agu)... ..	216	" 17, "
Ajincoo ... ..	213	" 15, "
Anyappa ... ..	211	" 14, "
Bagumar ... ..	217	" 17, "
Berivoosoo ... ..	209	" 16, "
Boawi ... ..	215	" 16, "
Chosah ... ..	220	" 27, "
Condra ... ..	221	" 27, "
Maminquassa ... ..	222	" 27, "
Mamondo ... ..	212	" 14, "
Maveo ... ..	218	" 18, "
Nufali ... ..	226	" 29, "
N'yamehadda ... ..	225	" 28, "
Pampam ... ..	223	" 27, "
Quanati ... ..	214	" 15, "
Qué ... ..	224	" 27, "
Schapia ... ..	210	November 16, "

Form No. 6.

We, the King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, in Council assembled, do cede to the National African Company (Limited), of London, their heirs and assigns, for ever, all our territory extending from \_\_\_\_\_, with all sovereign rights.

We also agree that no one shall have a right to mine in our country (either foreigner or native) without the sanction of the National African Company, their heirs or assigns.

We also give to the National African Company, their heirs or assigns, the power to exclude all or any foreigners from our country.

The National African Company agree to govern on the basis of the native laws as among the natives themselves, and not to interfere with the rights of private property.

The National African Company agree to pay, as Sovereign, a subsidy of six pieces of cloth per annum to the former Rulers of the country.

Signatures :

Witness :

*Declaration by Interpreter.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, native of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby declare that I am well acquainted with the \_\_\_\_\_ language, and have interpreted the foregoing to the King and Chiefs, and they understand its meaning.

TREATY under Form No. 7.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Muri ... ..	321	January 30, 1885.

Form No. 7.

AGREEMENT made on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188\_\_\_\_, between \_\_\_\_\_ Head Chief of the country of \_\_\_\_\_, and his \_\_\_\_\_ or Council of Chiefs and their people on the one hand, and the National African Company (Limited) on the other hand.

As in past times disputes and palavers have arisen among the various European and other strangers and foreigners in the River Niger, and between these and the natives, and, as it is desirable to prevent such disputes and palavers again occurring by making a perpetual settlement, placing under one supreme authority all relations and affairs between the natives of \_\_\_\_\_ and all strangers and foreigners : Therefore we, the Head Chief and Chiefs, and people of \_\_\_\_\_, being assembled in \_\_\_\_\_, and acting in accordance with the laws of our country, do (in consideration of the \_\_\_\_\_ in goods, receipt of which we hereby acknowledge, and in consideration of the further annual payment mentioned below), hereby promise and bind ourselves and our successors to keep and fulfil the following Articles of this Agreement :—

1. We give and grant to the National African Company (Limited) the entire and sole authority to grant, on such terms as that Company may think fit, to European or other strangers and foreigners, the right to trade, to work mines, to cultivate ground, to gather produce of any kind, or to carry on any other occupations in our country; and we agree that we will not grant such rights to, nor deal in any way with, any strangers and foreigners, nor enter into any Treaties whatever with them, without the consent and authority of the National African Company (Limited).

2. We promise full liberty and protection to the National African Company (Limited) in carrying on its various trades, mining operations, and all other occupations, and we give and grant to that Company complete freedom and immunity from \_\_\_\_\_ or other taxes of any kind whatever.

3. We agree that the National African Company (Limited) shall have the sole right to supply all other strangers and foreigners with wood and other fuel.

4. We agree that the National African Company (Limited) shall have the sole and exclusive right to impose, farm, and retain for its own benefit, all and any duties it may think proper on goods landed by any strangers or foreigners from the river, or on native produce shipped by any strangers or foreigners from the land, and that we will not at any time interfere with that Company in so doing, but will give it every assistance to enforce such duties as acting on our behalf, and with the full authority of the laws of our country.

And I, \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of the National African Company (Limited), having paid to the Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_ the above-mentioned \_\_\_\_\_ in goods, do hereby promise to the Head Chief, \_\_\_\_\_, and people of \_\_\_\_\_, that, in further consideration of this Agreement, that Company will pay them annually.

And I further agree, on behalf of the National African Company (Limited), that nothing in this Agreement shall be allowed to interfere with the present rights of the natives of the country of \_\_\_\_\_ amongst themselves, nor shall it give any authority or right to that Company, or to any person on its behalf, to occupy land, to fell trees, or in any other way to interfere with private property, without due permission or purchase of the same from the owner, as heretofore.

This Agreement having been interpreted to us, the above mentioned Chiefs in \_\_\_\_\_, we hereby approve and accept it, for ourselves and for our people, and with their consent, and in testimony of this, having no knowledge of writing, do affix our marks below it; and I, \_\_\_\_\_, for and on behalf of the National African Company (Limited), do hereby affix my hand.

We, the undersigned witnesses, do hereby solemnly declare that the Chiefs whose names are placed opposite their respective crosses, have, in our presence, affixed their crosses of their own free will and consent, and that the said \_\_\_\_\_ has in our presence affixed his signature.

*Declaration by Interpreter.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, native of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby solemnly declare that I am well acquainted with the language of the \_\_\_\_\_ country, and that, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, at a Council held at \_\_\_\_\_, I truly and faithfully explained the above Agreement to all the Chiefs present, and that they understood its meaning.

TREATIES under Form No. 8.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Bajembor ... ..	195	June 13, 1885.
Bapaasa ... ..	198	" 15, "
Buruhu ... ..	194	" 14, "
Ikurawa ... ..	198	" 12, "
Imgboro ... ..	192	" 15, "
Ishara ... ..	196	" 14, "
Jimetchu ... ..	189	" 15, "
Katsena Alla ... ..	200	" 8, "
Mungornor ... ..	193	" 14, "
Mungova ... ..	190	" 15, "
Okortundor ... ..	201	" 11, "
Palava ... ..	191	" 15, "
Sausagi ... ..	199	" 12, "
Tigga ... ..	197	" 6, "

Form No. 8.

AGREEMENT made on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 188 \_\_\_\_\_, between the King \_\_\_\_\_ and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_ and the National African Company (Limited), of London.

We, the undersigned King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, with a view to the bettering of the condition of our country and people, do this day cede, with all sovereign rights, to the National African Company (Limited), for ever, the whole of our territory extending from \_\_\_\_\_

We also agree that all disputes arising between British and foreign traders or neighbouring tribes shall be submitted to the said National African Company (Limited) for settlement.

We also understand that the National African Company have sole power to mine, farm, and build in any portion of our territory.

We also give the National African Company the power to exclude all or any foreigners from our country.

In consideration of the foregoing, the said National African Company bind themselves not to interfere with any native laws or customs of the country consistently with the maintenance of order and good government.

The National African Company agree to pay native owners of land a reasonable amount for any portion they may require.

The National African Company also agree to pay the said King and Chiefs the value of \_\_\_\_\_ per annum.

This Agreement having been interpreted to us, the above-mentioned King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, we hereby approve and accept it for ourselves, and for our people with their consent, and in testimony of this, having no knowledge of writing, do affix our marks below it; and I, on behalf of the National African Company (Limited), do hereby affix my hand.

We, the Undersigned witnesses, do hereby solemnly declare that the Chiefs whose names are placed against their respective crosses have, in our presence, affixed their crosses of their own free will and consent, and the said \_\_\_\_\_ has, in our presence, affixed his signature.

*Declaration by Interpreter.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, native of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby solemnly declare that I am well acquainted with the \_\_\_\_\_ language, and have interpreted the foregoing to the said King and Chiefs, and they understand its meaning.

TREATIES under Form No. 9.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Agwebiri (or Agwehhi) ... ..	289	July 26, 1889.
Agwohbi ... ..	288	" 26, "
Eebri ... ..	283	" 6, "
Egbanatoro ... ..	281	" 30, "
Ekebi ... ..	286	" 19, "
Enowarri ... ..	285	" 5, "
Gbebi ... ..	296	September 13, "
Ihouza ... ..	294	May 17, "
Korokorossi ... ..	287	July 10, "
Ofunobiri ... ..	284	" 8, "
Poulabouga ... ..	282	April 13, "
Sintako ... ..	297	October 14, "
Takum ... ..	313	January 4, 1890.

Form No. 9.

TREATY made on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, between the Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_ on the one hand, and the Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited), hereinafter called "The Company," on the other hand.

1. We, the Undersigned Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, with the consent of our people, and with the view of bettering their condition, do this day cede to the Company, and to their assigns, for ever, the whole of our territory; but the Company shall pay private owners a reasonable amount for any portion of land that the Company may require from time to time.

2. We hereby give to the Company and their assigns, for ever, full jurisdiction of every kind; and we pledge ourselves not to enter into any war with other tribes without the sanction of the Company.

3. We also give to the Company and their assigns, for ever, the sole right to mine in our territory.



4. In consideration of the foregoing, the Company bind themselves not to interfere with any of the native laws or customs of the country, except so far as may be necessary for good government and the maintenance of order.

5. The Company bind themselves to protect, so far as practicable, the said Chiefs from the attacks of any neighbouring aggressive tribes.

6. In consideration of the above, the Company have this day paid the said Chiefs of goods to the value of , receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

This Agreement having been interpreted to us, the above-mentioned Chiefs of , we hereby approve, and accept it for ourselves and for our people with their consent, and, in testimony of this, having no knowledge of writing, do affix our marks below it, and I, for and on behalf of the Company, do hereby affix my hand.

We, the Undersigned witnesses, do hereby solemnly declare that the Chiefs whose names are placed opposite their respective marks have in our presence affixed their marks of their own free will and consent, and the said has, in our presence, affixed his signature.

For the Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited),

*Declaration by Interpreter.*

I, , native of do hereby solemnly declare that I am well acquainted with the language, and that on the day of , 18 , I truly and faithfully explained the above Agreement to all the native signatories whose marks are affixed to this Treaty, and that they understood its meaning.

Witnesses to the above mark signature :

Done in triplicate at this day of 18 .

TREATIES under Form No. 10.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Akaboh ... ..	325	March 14, 1892.
Akapotshi ... ..	326	" 14, "
Amakofia Ubi ... ..	327	" 14, "
Egbu-ku ... ..	328	" 14, "
Egbu-n-ta ... ..	329	" 14, "
Eknalo ... ..	330	" 14, "
Gongomo ... ..	312	" 17, 1890.
Inde Ukukwa ... ..	331	" 14, 1892.
Isi Umudirossa ... ..	342	May 10, "
Itshicke and Umuneosa ... ..	332	March 14, "
Kwana ... ..	311	" 31, 1890.
Obba ... ..	293	September 3, "
Obilako ... ..	333	March 14, 1892.
Oboniki ... ..	291	May 27, 1890.
Ogidi ... ..	290	" 13, "
Okka ... ..	324	November 16, "
Oreilla ... ..	341	May 4, 1892.
Orjie ... ..	334	March 14, "
Owere ... ..	335	" 14, "
Ozara ... ..	336	" 14, "
Ubi (see Amakofia Ubi).		
Uburin ... ..	337	" 14, "
Udo ... ..	338	" 14, "
Ukukwa (see Inde-Ukukwa).		
Umuba ... ..	339	" 14, "
Umudirossa (see Ubi Umudirossa).		
Umuneosa (see Itshicke).		
Umuodu ... ..	340	" 14, "
Unkwereh ... ..	292	May 21, 1890.

## Form No. 10.

TREATY made on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, between \_\_\_\_\_ on the one hand, and the Royal Niger Company (Chartered and Limited), for themselves and their assigns, for ever, hereinafter called "The Company," on the other hand.

1. We, the undersigned King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, with the view of bettering the condition of our country and people, do this day cede to the Company, including as above their assigns, for ever, the whole of our territory, but the Company shall pay private landowners a reasonable amount for any portion of land that the Company may require from time to time.

2. We thereby give to the Company and their assigns, for ever, full jurisdiction of every kind, and we pledge ourselves not to enter into any war with other tribes without the sanction of the Company.

3. We give to the Company and their assigns, for ever, the sole right to mine in any portion of our territory.

4. We bind ourselves not to have any intercourse as representing our tribe or state, on tribal or state affairs, with any person or persons other than the Company, who are hereby recognised as the authorised Government of our territories; but this provision shall in no way authorise any monopoly of trade, direct or indirect, by the Company or others, nor any restriction of private or commercial intercourse with any person or persons of any nation whatsoever, subject, however, to administrative dispositions in the interest of commerce and of order.

5. In consideration of the foregoing, the Company bind themselves not to interfere with any of the native laws or customs of the country, consistently with the maintenance of order and good government, and the progress of civilisation.

6. The Company bind themselves to protect, as far as practicable, the said King and Chiefs from the attacks of any neighbouring aggressive tribes.

7. In consideration of the above, the Company have this day paid the said King and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_ goods to the value of \_\_\_\_\_, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

This Treaty having been interpreted to us, the above-mentioned Kings and Chiefs of \_\_\_\_\_, we hereby approve and accept it for ourselves and for our people, and in testimony of this, having no knowledge of writing, do affix our marks below it.

We, the undersigned witnesses, do hereby solemnly declare that the King and Chiefs whose names are placed opposite their respective marks have, in our presence, affixed their marks of their own free will and consent, and that \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of the Company, has, in our presence, affixed his signature

I, \_\_\_\_\_, for and on behalf of the Company, do hereby approve and accept the above Treaty, and hereby affix my hand.

*Declaration by Interpreter.*

I, \_\_\_\_\_, native of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby solemnly declare that I am well acquainted with the \_\_\_\_\_ language, and that on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 18\_\_\_\_, I truly and faithfully explained the above Treaty to all the native signatories, and that they understood its meaning.

Witnesses to the above \_\_\_\_\_ mark or signature :

Done in triplicate at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

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## TREATIES under Various Forms.

Territory.	Index No.	Date.
Ageyeh ... ..	304	April 8, 1885.
Akassa ... ..	3	November 20, 1884.
Bassama ... ..	314	February 3, 1890.
Batsurror ... ..	187	May 30, 1885.
Bautshi ... ..	316	April 1, 1888.
Borgu (Boussa) ... ..	303	January 20, 1890.
Dampara ... ..	309	October 16, 1889.
Demsa ... ..	315	January 5, 1890.
Donga ... ..	320	" 2, 1885.
Egori... ..	156	November 13, 1884.
Gando (1st) ... ..	236	June 13, 1885.
Gando (2nd)... ..	318	April 7, 1890.
Gandy ... ..	159	June 4, 1885.
Ilorin... ..	302	August 9, 1890.
Jibu ... ..	308	October 15, 1889.
Lafiagi ... ..	301	March 31, 1885.
Lapai... ..	300	" 28, "
Nupé (1st) ... ..	322	" 19, "
" (2nd) ... ..	323	December 26, 1889.
Shonga ... ..	299	April 15, 1885.
Sokoto (1st)... ..	237	June 1, "
" (2nd) ... ..	319	April 15, 1890.

On the 21st March 1887, the Royal Niger Company forwarded to the Foreign Office a List of the Treaties of the Company, showing :—

1. Which Treaties were inside of the British Protectorate as then already proclaimed, and which partly inside and partly outside ; and

2. Which Treaties were included in the 37 referred to in the Charter of 10th July, 1886, and which, on the other hand, required the assent of the Secretary of State, under Section 12 of the Charter.

The 37 Treaties referred to in the Charter are marked with an asterisk.

On the 10th April, 1894, the Royal Niger Company submitted to the Secretary of State (the Earl of Kimberley), for approval, a revised and completed List of 306 Treaties, which had been concluded by the Company with the Kings, Chiefs, and Peoples of various territories in the basin of the River Niger, in addition to the 37 Treaties enumerated in the Schedule of the Charter. With few exceptions; all these treaties had been duly communicated by the Company to the Secretary of State in previous letters. On the 23rd of April the general approval of these Treaties by the Secretary of State was conveyed to the Company, subject to certain specified conditions, all of which were accepted by the Company on the 27th of the same month.

NOTIFICATION of the British Protectorate of the Niger Coast; to be known as the "Niger Coast Protectorate," and no longer as the "Oil Rivers Protectorate." Foreign Office, 13th May, 1893.

"WITH reference to the notification in the 'London Gazette' of the 18th October, 1887, respecting the British Protectorate of the Niger Districts, and to certain agreements entered into between the British and German Governments, it is hereby notified, for public information, that the portion of the Protectorate under the administration of Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul-General will, from the date of this notification, form a separate Protectorate, under the name of the 'Niger Coast Protectorate,' and will cease to be known as the 'Oil Rivers Protectorate.'

"The eastern limit of the line of coast of the Niger Coast Protectorate is defined in the Agreement between the British and German Governments of the 14th April, 1893."

On the 5th June, 1885, a Notification was published in the "London Gazette" of the establishment of the British Protectorate of the "Niger Districts," but no allusion was made to the "Oil Rivers," but on the 1st January, 1891, Major (now Sir Claude Maxwell) Macdonald, who, in June, 1889, was sent on a Special Mission to the Niger Districts, and in the following year to Berlin, with reference to the delimitation of the boundary between the Oil Rivers Protectorate and the German Colony of Cameroons, was Gazetted as Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul-General in the Oil Rivers Protectorate and adjoining native territories, &c. The term "Oil Rivers Protectorate" was also employed in the Instructions issued by the Secretary of State on the 22nd February, 1890, under the Order in Council of 15th October, 1889, and in the Agreement between Great Britain and Germany of 14th April, 1893.

The Oil Rivers are the Benin, Escarvos, Warri, Forcados, Brass, St. Nicholas, St. Barbara, St. Bartholomew, Sombrero, New Calabar, Bonny, Andorio (St. Antonio), Opobo, Quo Ibo, Akpayafi, Qua, Cross, and Old Calabar.

THE ROYAL NIGER COMPANY, CHARTERED AND LIMITED.

Dr.		BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1887.				Cr.	
To CAPITAL AUTHORISED:— 100,000 Shares of 10 <i>l.</i> each	£. s. d.	£. s. d.				£. s. d.	£. s. d.
of which 66,675 Shares have been issued, and 2 <i>l.</i> per Share paid	133,350 - -				By Buildings, Land, Plant, Factories, Machinery, &c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet -	134,894 - 2	
19,500 Shares fully paid, issued for the purchase of Assets from the United African and French Companies	195,000 - -				£. s. d.		
11,500 Shares fully paid, issued for the purchase of Goodwill, as per contra	115,000 - -				Less amount recovered for loss of Steamer, &c.	1,950 12 5	
		443,350 - -			Charged to Profit and Loss Account for depreciation	19,152 - -	
						21,102 12 5	113,791 7 9
DEBTS AND LIABILITIES:—					„ Stock of Goods, Stores, Produce, &c., in Africa, as per Inventories	158,023 18 8	
On Bills Payable	6,587 8 8				„ Goods awaiting outward shipment	723 18 7	
„ Open Accounts	20,379 18 -				„ Produce in England and afloat	30,799 13 10	189,547 11 1
		26,967 6 8			„ Bills Receivable, Premiums on unexpired Policies, and Sundry Debts due to the Company	- - - -	13,684 13 3
					„ Office Furniture	- - - -	265 4 6
					„ Cash at Bankers, on deposit, and in hand	- - - -	33,399 14 8
					„ Goodwill, for which 11,500 of the Company's Shares were issued as fully paid, as per contra	- - - -	115,000 - -
					PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT:—		
					Balance as per last Balance Sheet	30,634 6 10	
					Less Profits of the year 1887, as below	26,005 11 5	4,628 15 5
		£. 470,317 6 8				£.	470,317 6 8

Dr.		PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1887.				Cr.	
To Remuneration to the Council and Advisers to the Council	£. s. d.	£. s. d.				£. s. d.	
„ Income Tax	- - -	1,250 - -			By Trading Account from 1st January to 31st December 1887	46,765 10 5	
„ Amounts written off for depreciation:—		292 19 -					
Buildings, Plant, &c.	19,152 - -						
Office Furniture	65 - -						
„ Balance		19,217 - -					
		26,005 11 5					
		£. 46,765 10 5				£.	46,765 10 5

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account, with the Books and Vouchers and the Inventories of Stock at the several Factories, and certify to their correctness in accordance therewith.

19 July 1888.

Turquand, Youngs, Weise, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.

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Dr.		BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1889.						Cr.	
To CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED :—	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	By Buildings, Land, Plant, Stations, &c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		
97,675 Shares of 10 <i>l</i> . each	976,750 - -				Expenditure since	100,880 6 4			
of which have been issued 66,675 Shares, 2 <i>l</i> . paid and 31,000 " fully paid	- - -	133,350 - -				30,253 15 8			
		310,000 - -		443,350 - -	Less Charged to Profit and Loss Account for depreciation	131,134 2 -			
" DEBTS AND LIABILITIES :—						19,190 15 11	111,943 6 1		
On Bills Payable	- - -	1,081 11 3			" Stock of Goods, Stores, Produce, &c., in Africa, as per Inventories	179,823 6 11			
" Open Accounts	- - -	48,236 8 3		50,217 19 6	" Goods awaiting outward shipment	2,897 8 4			
" GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT :—					" Produce in England and float	49,625 9 8	232,346 4 11		
Insurance Fund, as per last Balance Sheet	- - -	5,000 - -			" Bills Receivable, Premiums on unexpired Policies, and Sundry Debts due to the Company	- - -	15,038 10 3		
from Profit and Loss Account, as below	- - -	5,005 - -		12,000 - -	" Office Furniture	- - -	444 16 8		
Portion of Niger Government 5 Per Cent. Stock per contra	- - -	1,995 - -			" Cash at Bankers, on deposit, and in hand	- - -	47,215 - 4		
" PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, as per last Balance Sheet	- - -	17,459 11 1			" Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock	115,000 - -			
Less Dividend, paid January, 1889	£. s. d.				" Ditto Ditto as per contra	1,995 - -	116,995 - -		
Ditto " August, 1889	- - -	11,033 15 -							
		4,433 10 -							
		15,517 5 -							
Balance for 1889, as per Statement below	34,206 12 8	1,942 6 1							
Less Interest on Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock	- - -	6,650 5 -							
		27,556 7 8							
		29,498 13 9							
Interim Dividend, paid December, 1889	- - -	11,083 15 -		18,414 18 9					
				£.			£.		
				523,982 18 3			523,982 18 3		

Dr.		PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1889.						Cr.	
To Remuneration to the Council and Advisers to the Council	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	By Working Account	£. s. d.	£. s. d.		
Income Tax	- - -	1,250 - -				60,095 7 10			
" Amounts written off for depreciation :—		392 19 3							
Buildings, Plant, &c.	19,190 15 11								
Office Furniture	50 - -								
" Insurance Fund	- - -	19,240 15 11							
" Balance carried to Balance Sheet	- - -	5,005 - -							
		34,206 12 8							
				£.			£.		
				60,095 7 10			60,095 7 10		

We have examined the above Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account, with the Books and Vouchers, and the Inventories of Stock at the several Stations, and certify to their correctness in accordance therewith.  
15 July 1890. Turquand, Youngs, Weise, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.

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Dr.	BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1890.				Cr.						
To CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED :— 97,675 Shares of 10 <i>l.</i> each - - - - - 976,750 - - of which have been issued 66,675 Shares, 2 <i>l.</i> paid - - - - - and 31,000 „ fully paid - - - - -	£.	s.	d.				£.	s.	d.		
				443,350	- -	By Buildings, Land, Plant, Stations, &c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet - - - - -					
				133,350	- -	Expenditure since - - - - -	111,943	6	1		
				310,000	- -	Less Charged to Profit and Loss Account for depreciation - - - - -	16,396	13	7		
„ DEBTS AND LIABILITIES :—							128,339	19	8		
On Bills Payable - - - - -				5,349	19	11	20,492	13	9	107,847	5
„ Open Accounts - - - - -				49,434	11	3				5	11
„ GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT :—											
As per last Balance Sheet - - - - -				12,000	- -	- -					
From Profit and Loss Account, as below - - - - -				8,000	- -	- -					
„ PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, as per last Balance Sheet - - - - -											
Less Dividend, paid August 1890 - - - - -				18,414	18	9					
				15,517	5	-					
				2,897	13	9					
Balance for 1890, as per Statement below - - - - -	£.	s.	d.								
Less Interest on Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock - - - - -				35,791	17	7					
				6,650	5	-					
				29,141	12	7					
Interim Dividend, paid December 1890 - - - - -				32,039	6	4					
				11,083	15	-					
				20,955	11	4					
				£.	539,090	2	6			£.	539,090
											2
											6

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Dr.	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1890.				Cr.						
To Remuneration to the Council and Advisers to the Council - - - - - „ Income Tax - - - - - „ Amounts written off for depreciation :— Buildings, Plant, &c. - - - - - Office Furniture - - - - - „ General Reserve Account - - - - - „ Balance carried to Balance Sheet - - - - -	£.	s.	d.				£.	s.	d.		
				1,250	- -	By Working Account - - - - -				66,363	16
				779	5					4	
				20,492	13						
				50	- -						
				20,542	13	9					
				8,000	- -	- -					
				35,791	17	7					
				£.	66,363	16	4			£.	66,363
											16
											4

We have examined the above Balance Sheet, and beg to report that, in our opinion, it is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's affairs as shown by the Books and Vouchers, and Inventories of Stock at the several Stations.  
3 July 1891.

*Turquand, Youngs, Weise, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.*



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BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1891.

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Dr.		BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1891.		Cr.	
To CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED :—	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	By Buildings, Land, Plant, Stations, &c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet	£. s. d.
97,675 Shares of 10 <i>l.</i> each	976,750 - -			Expenditure since	107,847 5 11
Issued as follows : 66,675 Shares, 2 <i>l.</i> paid and 31,000 „ fully paid		133,350 - -			18,160 7 6
„ DEBTS AND LIABILITIES :—		310,000 - -	443,350 - -	Less charged to Profit and Loss Account for depreciation	126,007 13 5
On Bills Payable		6,428 6 6			21,477 7 2
„ Open Accounts		52,100 14 1	58,529 - 7	„ Stock of Goods, Stores, Produce, &c., in Africa, as per Inventories	221,972 10 4
„ GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT :—			20,000 0 0	„ Goods awaiting outward shipment	9,302 14 3
As per last Balance Sheet				„ Produce in England and afloat	56,248 15 11
„ PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, as per last Balance Sheet		20,955 11 4		„ Bills Receivable, Premiums on unexpired Policies, and Sundry Debts due to the Company	9,121 7 8
Less Dividend, paid July 1891		15,517 5 -		„ Office Furniture	512 14 11
Balance for 1891, as per Statement below	£. s. d.	5,438 6 4		„ Cash at Bankers, on deposit and in hand	19,078 17 1
Less Interest on Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock	28,178 19 6	21,528 14 6		„ Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock at par (Stock created, but certificate not yet received)	116,995 - -
Interim Dividend, paid December 1891	6,650 5 -	20,967 - 10	15,883 5 10		
		11,083 15 -	£. 537,762 6 5		£. 537,762 6 5

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1891.

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Dr.		PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1891.		Cr.	
To Remuneration to the Council and Advisers to the Council	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	By Working Account	£. s. d.	
Income Tax		1,250 - -		51,891 - -	
„ Amounts written off for depreciation :—		934 13 4			
Buildings, Plant, &c.		21,477 7 2			
Office Furniture		50 - -			
„ Balance carried to Balance Sheet		21,527 7 2			
		28,178 19 6			
	£.	51,891 - -		£.	51,891 - -

We have examined the above Balance Sheet, and beg to report that, in our opinion, it is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's affairs, as shown by the Books and Vouchers, and Inventories of Stock at the several Stations, 7 July 1892.

Turquand, Youngs, Weisc, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.

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THE ROYAL NIGER COMPANY, CHARTERED AND LIMITED:

Dr.	BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1892.						Cr.						
<p>To CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED :— 97,675 Shares of 10<i>l.</i> each . . . . . 976,750 — —</p> <p>Issued as follows : 66,675 Shares, 2<i>l.</i> paid . . . . . 133,350 — — and 31,000 „ fully paid . . . . . 310,000 — —</p> <p>„ DEBTS AND LIABILITIES :— On Bills Payable . . . . . 9,295 12 11 On Open Accounts . . . . . 49,354 3 3</p> <p>„ GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT :— As per last Balance Sheet . . . . . —</p> <p>„ PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, as per last Balance Sheet Less Dividend, paid August, 1892 . . . . . 15,883 5 10 15,517 5 —</p> <p>Balance for 1892, as per Statement below . . . . . 19,817 16 9 Less Interest on Niger Government 5 per cent. Stock . . . . . 6,650 5 —</p> <p>Interim Dividend, paid December, 1892 . . . . .</p>	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	<p>By Buildings, Land, Plant, Stations, Slipway, Workshops Plantations, &amp;c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet . . . . . 104,530 6 3</p> <p>Expenditure since . . . . . 15,725 17 —</p> <p>Less Charged to Profit and Loss Account . . . . . 120,256 3 3 21,185 4 7</p> <p>„ Stock of Goods, Stores, Produce, &amp;c., in Africa, as per Inventories „ Goods awaiting outward shipment . . . . . 5,035 12 6 „ Produce in England and afloat . . . . . 53,445 15 3</p> <p>„ Bills Receivable, Premiums on unexpired Policies, and Sundry Debts due to the Company . . . . . —</p> <p>„ Office Furniture . . . . . —</p> <p>„ Cash at Bankers, on deposit and in hand . . . . . —</p> <p>„ Niger Government 5 per cent. Stock at par (Stock created, but certificate not yet received) . . . . . —</p>	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
				443,350	—	—	99,070	18	8				
				58,649	16	2	277,702	10	11				
				20,000	—	—	11,622	6	5				
				15,883	5	10	479	1	5				
				15,517	5	—	18,579	16	4				
				336	—	10	116,995	—	—				
				13,167	11	9							
				13,533	12	7							
				11,083	15	—							
				2,449	17	7							
				£.	524,449	13 9	£.	524,449	13 9				

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Dr.	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1892.						Cr.			
<p>To Remuneration to the Council and Advisers to the Council . . . . . —</p> <p>„ Income Tax . . . . . —</p> <p>„ Amounts written off for depreciation :— Buildings, Plant, &amp;c. . . . . 21,185 4 7 Office Furniture . . . . . 50 — —</p> <p>„ Balance carried to Balance Sheet . . . . .</p>	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	<p>By Working Account . . . . .</p>	£.	s.	d.
				1,250	—	—	43,167	10	7	
				864	9	3				
				21,235	4	7				
				19,817	16	0				
				£.	43,167	10 7	£.	43,167	10 7	

We have examined the above Balance Sheet, and beg to report that, in our opinion, it is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's affairs as shown by the Books and Vouchers, and Inventories of Stock at the several Stations.  
27 June 1893.

*Turquand, Youngs, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.*

THE ROYAL NIGER COMPANY, CHARTERED AND LIMITED.

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Dr.		BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1893.				Cr.	
To CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED :—	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	By Buildings, Land, Plant, Stations, Slipway, Workshops, Plantations, &c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
102,708 Shares of 10 <i>l.</i> each	1,027,080 - -						
Issued as follows : 66,675 Shares 2 <i>l.</i> paid	- - -	133,350 0 0				99,070 18 8	
and 31,000 " fully paid	- - -	310,000 0 0			Expenditure since	27,329 14 10	
To be issued : 5,033 " " as per Council's Report	- - -	50,330 0 0					
" DEBENTURE to be issued, as per Council's Report	- - -	- - -	493,680 0 0		Less Charged to Profit and Loss Account for depreciation -	126,400 13 6	
" DEBTS AND LIABILITIES :—			7,500 0 0		" Stock of Goods, Stores, Produce, &c., in Africa, as per Inventories	17,621 19 6	108,778 14 0
On Bills Payable	- - -	3,115 14 11			" Goods awaiting outward shipment	218,404 6 4	
" Open Accounts	- - -	45,581 8 10			" Produce in England and afloat	4,064 15 3	
" PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT :—			48,697 3 9		" Bills Receivable, Premiums on unexpired Policies, and Sundry Debts due to the Company	66,248 15 3	288,717 16 10
As per last Balance Sheet	- - -	2,449 17 7			" Office Furniture	- - -	32,877 6 8
General Reserve Account, 31st December 1892	- - -	20,000 0 0			" Cash at Bankers, on deposit and in hand	- - -	434 11 5
Less Dividend, paid August 1893	- - -	22,449 17 7			" Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock at par (Stock created, but certificate not yet received)	- - -	30,539 3 9
		22,167 10 0					116,905 - -
Balance for 1893, as per Statement below	49,833 6 4	282 7 7					
Less Interest on Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock	6,650 5 0	43,183 1 4					
Less paid African Association, as per Agreement	- - -	43,465 8 11					
		15,000 0 0					
			28,465 8 11				
			£. 578,342 12 8			£. 578,342 12 8	

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Dr.		PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1893.				Cr.	
To Remuneration to the Council and Advisers to the Council	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	By Working Account	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
" Income Tax	- - -	- - -	1,250 0 0			69,293 5 2	
" Amounts written off for depreciation :—			537 19 4				
Buildings, Plant, &c.	17,621 19 6						
Office Furniture	50 0 0						
" Balance carried to Balance Sheet	- - -		17,671 19 6				
			49,833 6 4				
			£. 69,293 5 2			£. 69,293 5 2	

We have examined the above Balance Sheet, and beg to report that, in our opinion, it is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's affairs as shown by the Books and Vouchers, and Inventories of Stock at the several Stations.

22 June 1894.

Turquand, Youngs, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.

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THE ROYAL NIGER COMPANY, CHARTERED AND LIMITED.

Dr.		BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1896.				Cr.	
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
To CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED:—							
102,708 Shares of 10 <i>l.</i> each	£. s. d.	1,027,080	-	-			
Issued as follows: 66,675 shares, 2 <i>l.</i> paid		133,350	-	-			
and 36,033 „ fully paid		360,330	-	-			
„ DEBENTURE at 5 per cent. interest per annum					403,680	-	-
„ GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT:—					7,500	-	-
As per last Balance Sheet		18,200	-	-			
Amount recovered from Niger Coast Protectorate		17,134	7	1			
From Profit and Loss Account, as below		1,665	12	11			
„ DEBTS AND LIABILITIES:—					37,000	-	-
On Bills Payable		3,221	11	7			
„ Open Accounts		59,518	9	1			
„ PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT:—					62,740	-	8
As per last Balance Sheet		30,862	13	-			
Less Dividend, paid January and July, 1896		29,620	16	-			
		1,241	17	-			
Balance for 1896, as per Statement below	£. s. d.	42,698	5	8			
Less Interest on Niger Government 5 per cent.							
Stock held otherwise than by the Company	£. s. d.	6,650	5	-			
		36,048	-	8			
					37,289	17	8
					£.	638,209	18 4
						£.	638,209 18 4
By Buildings, Land, Plant, Stations, Slipway, Workshops, Plantations, &c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet		£. s. d.					
		96,127	8	4			
Expenditure since		29,737	8	2			
		125,864	16	6			
Less Charged to Profit and Loss Account for depreciation		17,960	-	-			
„ Stock of Goods, Stores, Produce, &c., in Africa as per Inventories		211,911	18	5			107,904 16 6
„ Goods awaiting outward shipment		11,377	8	8			
„ Produce in England and afloat		95,377	16	-			
„ Premiums on unexpired Policies, and Sundry Debts due to the Company							318,667 3 1
„ Office Furniture in London and Liverpool							17,430 1 10
„ Cash at Bankers, on deposit, lent on security, and in hand							493 1 8
„ Bills Receivable							49,627 3 11
„ Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock at par (Stock created, but certificate not yet received)							27,092 11 4
							116,995 - -

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Dr.		PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1896.				Cr.	
		£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
To Remuneration to the Council					1,250	-	-
„ Income Tax					1,399	8	2
„ Amounts written off for depreciation:—							
Buildings, Plant, &c.		17,960	-	-			
Office Furniture		50	-	-			
„ Interest on Debenture					18,010	-	-
„ General Reserve Account					375	-	-
„ Balance carried to Balance Sheet					1,665	12	11
					42,698	5	8
					£.	65,398	6 9
						£.	65,398 6 9
By Working Account							
							£. s. d.
							65,398 6 9

We have examined the above Balance Sheet, and beg to report that, in our opinion, it is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's affairs as shown by the Books and Vouchers, and Inventories of Stock at the several Stations,  
29 June 1897.

*Turquand, Youngs, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.*

THE ROYAL NIGER COMPANY, CHARTERED AND LIMITED.

BALANCE SHEET, 31 December 1897.

Dr.				Cr.									
To CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED :—				By Buildings, Land, Plant, Stations, Slipway, Workshops, Plantations, &c., in Africa, including Steamers and other craft, as per last Balance Sheet									
102,708 Shares of 10 <i>l.</i> each	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.				
	1,027,030	—	—				107,904	16	6				
Issued as follows: 66,675 Shares, 2 <i>l.</i> paid and 36,033 „ fully paid				133,350	—	—	Expenditure since last Balance Sheet	14,683	—	3			
				360,330	—	—	„ Amount for re-valuation of Steamers carried to General Reserve Account per contra ( <i>vide</i> Report)	11,036	9	1			
„ DEBENTURE at 5 per cent. interest per annum				—	—	—		133,624	5	10			
„ GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT :—							Less Charged to Profit and Loss Account for depreciation	9,374	10	11			
As per last Balance Sheet				37,000	—	—							
Amount for re-valuation of Steamers, per contra				11,036	9	1	„ Stock of Goods, Stores, Produce, &c., in Africa, as per Inventories	257,912	11	3			
From Profit and Loss Account, as below				25,963	10	11	„ Goods awaiting outward shipment	6,497	10	4			
							„ Produce in England and aloft	81,260	12	9			
„ DEPTS AND LIABILITIES :—										345,670	14	4	
On Bills Payable				5,869	12	6	„ Premiums on unexpired Policies, and Sundry Debts due to the Company			27,929	1	11	
„ Open Accounts				55,547	6	8	„ Office Furniture in London and Liverpool			479	11	8	
							„ Cash at Bankers and in hand			10,768	18	7	
„ PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT :—							„ Bills Receivable			26,133	7	7	
As per last Balance Sheet				37,289	17	8	„ Niger Government 5 per Cent. Stock at par (Stock created, but certificate not yet received)			116,995	—	—	
Less Dividend, paid January and July 1897				29,620	16	—							
Balance for 1897, as per Statement below				7,669	1	8							
Less Interest on Niger Government 5 per cent. Stock held otherwise than by the Company	6,650	5	—	30,051	1	2							
Portrait of Sir George Goldie	630	—	—	37,720	2	10							
Interim Dividend paid December 1897	14,310	8	—	22,090	13	—							
				£.	652,226	9	—			£.	652,226	9	—

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT, Year ended 31 December 1897.

Dr.				Cr.									
To Remuneration to the Council				By Working Account									
„ Income Tax	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.				
	—	—	—	1,187	10	—			68,555	4	—		
„ Amounts written off for depreciation :—				1,553	11	—							
Buildings, Plant, &c.													
Office Furniture				9,374	10	11							
				50	—	—							
„ Interest on Debenture													
„ General Reserve Account													
„ Balance carried to Balance Sheet													
				£.	68,555	4	—			£.	68,555	4	—

We have examined the above Balance Sheet, and beg to report that, in our opinion, it is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's affairs as shown by the Books and Vouchers, and Inventories of Stock at the several stations.  
5 July 1898.

Turquand, Youngs, Bishop & Clarke, Auditors.





NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1887.

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REVENUE.		£.	£.	EXPENSES.		£.
Imports :						
Royal Niger Company	- - - - -	23,039		Constabulary Force and Treaty Subsidies	- - - - -	13,395
Other traders	- - - - -	998		Interest on 250,000l.	- - - - -	12,500
			24,037	Stations	- - - - -	4,752
Exports :				Steamers	- - - - -	26,911
Royal Niger Company	- - - - -	15,446		Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa	- - - - -	10,269
Other traders	- - - - -	1,335	16,781	Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration	- - - - -	3,497
Licences :						
Royal Niger Company	- - - - -	620				
Other traders	- - - - -	660	1,280			
Miscellaneous			298			
			£. 42,396			£. 71,324

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Certified 30 October 1888.

(Signed) *George Taubman Goldi,*  
Political Administrator.

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NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1888. (Miniature Copy.)

REVENUE.			EXPENSES.			
	£.	£.		£.	£.	£.
Imports :			Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions		6,304	
Royal Niger Company	33,188		Constabulary Force :			
Other traders	1,279	34,467	Officers' pay	1,486		
			Men's pay	5,777		
Exports :			Ocean passages	888		
Royal Niger Company	19,110		Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, Clothing	1,148		
Other traders	805	19,915	Officers' rations	665		
			Men's rations	2,011		
Licences :			Barrack expenses	775		
Royal Niger Company	510		Interest on 250,000l.			12,750
Other traders	410	950	Stations :			12,500
Miscellaneous		439	Building, &c., Depreciation Account	2,810		
			Interest on Capital Expenditure	1,100		
			Expenses for repairs	1,140		
			Steamers :			5,050
			Depreciation Account	7,436		
			Interest on Capital Expenditure	1,500		
			Ships' stores	669		
			Insurance	3,000		
			Coal	2,736		
			Other fuel	509		
			Europeans' pay	647		
			Coloured men's pay	2,412		
			Europeans' ocean passages	182		
			Coloured men's ocean passages	226		
			Europeans' provisions	266		
			Coloured men's provisions	1,249		
			Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :			20,832
			Salary of Chief Justice	1,220		
			Salary of Puisne Judge	859		
			Wages of clerk and attendants	160		
			Salaries of other Europeans	4,837		
			Wages of coloured men	1,735		
			Europeans' ocean passages	615		
			Coloured men's ocean passages	175		
			Europeans' provisions	1,636		
			Coloured men's provisions	545		
			Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :			11,782
			Governing Council and advisers	625		
			Management and clerks	2,670		
			Cables and postages	351		
			Sundry Charges	502		
			Office expenses	464		
						4,612
		£.	£.			73,830
		55,771				

Certified 22 March 1890.

R. Hamilton Josephine.

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REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1880. (Miniature Copy.)

REVENUE.			EXPENSES.		
	£.	£.		£.	£.
Imports :			Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions		5,824
Royal Niger Company	28,968		Constabulary Force :		
Other traders	1,642	30,610	Officers' pay	1,714	
Exports :			Men's pay	6,932	
Royal Niger Company	24,094		Ocean passages	398	
Other traders	1,826	25,920	Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, clothing	5,159	
Licences :			Officers' rations	819	
Royal Niger Company	570		Men's rations	2,710	
Other traders	360	930	Barrack expenses	940	18,672
Miscellaneous		192	Interest on 250,000/.		12,500
			Stations :		
			Building and depreciation account	2,498	
			Interest on capital expenditure	1,029	
			Expenses for repairs	1,489	5,016
			Steamers :		
			Depreciation account	7,097	
			Interest on capital expenditure	1,738	
			Ships' stores	771	
			Insurance	1,620	
			Coal	2,993	
			Other fuel	619	
			Europeans' pay	1,214	
			Coloured men's pay	3,188	
			Europeans' ocean passages	210	
			Coloured men's ocean passages	312	
			Europeans' provisions	458	
			Coloured men's provisions	3,059	23,279
			Salaries and maintenance of staff in Africa :		
			Salary of Chief Justice	690	
			Salary of Puisne Judge	438	
			Wages of clerk and attendants	171	
			Salaries of other Europeans	6,203	
			Wages of coloured men	2,301	
			Europeans' ocean passages	586	
			Coloured men's ocean passages	130	
			Europeans' provisions	1,761	
			Coloured men's provisions	587	12,867
			Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :		
			Governing Council and advisers	625	
			Management and clerks	2,841	
			Cables and postages	398	
			Sundry charges	336	
			Office expenses	512	4,712
	£.	57,652			82,870

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Certified 25 February 1891.

R. Hamilton Joscelync, Accountant.

NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1890. (Miniature Copy.)

REVENUE.		£.	£.	EXPENSES.		£.	£.	£.
Imports :				Subsidies and Expeditions			8,038	
Royal Niger Company	- - - - -	33,833		Constabulary Force :				
Other traders	- - - - -	2,935	36,768	Officers' pay	- - - - -	2,017		
				Men's pay	- - - - -	8,927		
Exports :				Ocean passages	- - - - -	323		
Royal Niger Company	- - - - -	22,477		Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, clothing	- - - - -	2,663		
Other traders	- - - - -	2,179	24,656	Officers' rations	- - - - -	681		
				Men's rations	- - - - -	3,182		
Licences :				Barrack expenses	- - - - -	1,086		18,884
Royal Niger Company	- - - - -	580		Interest on 250,000 <i>l.</i>	- - - - -	-		12,500
Other traders	- - - - -	190	770	Stations :				
Miscellaneous	- - - - -		236	Building and depreciation account	- - - - -	2,657		
				Interest on capital expenditure	- - - - -	2,155		
				Expenses for repairs	- - - - -	1,713		6,525
				Steamers :				
				Building and depreciation account	- - - - -	7,588		
				Interest on capital expenditure	- - - - -	1,660		
				Ships' stores	- - - - -	843		
				Insurance	- - - - -	3,320		
				Coal	- - - - -	3,945		
				Other fuel	- - - - -	621		
				Europeans' pay	- - - - -	1,289		
				Coloured men's pay	- - - - -	3,657		
				Europeans' ocean passages	- - - - -	330		
				Coloured men's ocean passages	- - - - -	233		
				Europeans' provisions	- - - - -	281		
				Coloured men's provisions	- - - - -	3,216		26,983
				Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :				
				Salary of Chief Justice	- - - - -	879		
				Wages of clerk and attendants	- - - - -	207		
				Salary of other Europeans	- - - - -	7,295		
				Wages of coloured men	- - - - -	2,656		
				Europeans' ocean passages	- - - - -	855		
				Coloured men's ocean passages	- - - - -	116		
				Europeans' provisions	- - - - -	1,861		
				Coloured men's provisions	- - - - -	620		14,489
				Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :				
				Governing Council and advisers	- - - - -	625		
				Management and clerks	- - - - -	2,539		
				Cables and postages	- - - - -	370		
				Sundry charges	- - - - -	824		
				Office expenses	- - - - -	481		
							4,830	
			£.					92,258
			62,430					

Certified 4 April 1892.

George Taubman Goldie, Deputy Governor.

NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1891. (Miniature Copy.)

REVENUE.		£.	£.	EXPENSES :		£.	£.	£.
Imports :				Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions			10,683	
Royal Niger Company		48,226		Constabulary Force :				
Other traders		5,541	53,767	Officers' pay		2,536		
Exports :				Men's pay		15,428		
Royal Niger Company		27,397		Ocean passages		545		
Other traders		3,801	31,198	Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, clothing		1,555		
Licences :				Officers' rations		754		
Royal Niger Company		560		Men's rations		2,945		
Other traders		200	760	Barrack expenses		2,865		
Miscellaneous			3,042	Interest on 250,000/.				26,628
				Stations :				12,500
				Building and depreciation account		2,058		
				Interest on capital expenditure		944		
				Expenses for repairs		2,166		5,168
				Steamers :				
				Building and depreciation account		8,124		
				Interest on capital expenditure		1,455		
				Ships' stores		1,277		
				Insurance		1,545		
				Coal		3,756		
				Other fuel		1,500		
				Europeans' pay		1,554		
				Coloured men's pay		4,684		
				Europeans' ocean passages		171		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		441		
				Europeans' provisions		411		
				Coloured men's provisions		3,604		28,612
				Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :				
				Salary of Chief Justice		640		
				Salary of Puisne Judge		663		
				Wages of clerk and attendants		116		
				Salaries of other Europeans		7,157		
				Wages of coloured men		4,621		
				Europeans' ocean passages		720		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		118		
				Europeans' provisions		3,012		
				Coloured men's provisions		1,887		18,934
				Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :				
				Governing Council and advisers		625		
				Management and clerks		3,016		
				Cables and postages		421		
				Sundry charges		721		
				Office expenses		657		
							5,450	
		£.	89,667					107,975

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Certified 4 May 1893.

George Taubman Goldie, Deputy Governor.

**NIGER GOVERNMENT.**

**REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1892. (Miniature Copy).**

REVENUE.	£.	£.	EXPENSES.	£.	£.	£.
Imports :			Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions			12,166
Royal Niger Company	39,753		Constabulary Force :			
Other traders	11,895	51,648	Officers' pay	2,124		
Exports :			Men's pay	12,776		
Royal Niger Company	42,839		Ocean passages	821		
Other traders	7,433	50,272	Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, and clothing	2,213		
Licences :			Officers' rations	976		
Royal Niger Company	530		Men's rations	3,987		
Other traders	190	720	Barrack expenses	1,165		24,062
Miscellaneous		515	Interest on 250,000 <i>l.</i>			12,500
			Stations :			
			Building and depreciation account	2,082		
			Interest on capital expenditure	916		
			Expenses for repairs	2,872		5,870
			Steamers :			
			Building and depreciation account	8,510		
			Interest on capital expenditure	1,465		
			Ships' stores	1,320		
			Insurance	2,095		
			Coal	3,601		
			Other fuel	1,712		
			Europeans' pay	1,486		
			Coloured men's pay	5,253		
			Europeans' ocean passages	200		
			Coloured men's ocean passages	320		
			Europeans' provisions	547		
			Coloured men's provisions	4,412		30,921
			Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :			
			Salary of Chief Justice	823		
			Salary of Puisne Judge	765		
			Wages of clerk and attendants	158		
			Salaries of other Europeans	6,057		
			Wages of coloured men	2,587		
			Europeans' ocean passages	1,012		
			Coloured men's ocean passages	160		
			Europeans' provisions	3,718		
			Coloured men's provisions	1,240		16,520
			Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :			
			Governing Council and advisers	625		
			Management and clerks	3,139		
			Cables and postages	367		
			Sundry charges	461		
			Office expenses	484		
						5,076
	£.	103,155				107,115

Certified 31 August 1893.

George Taubman Goldie, Deputy Governor.

NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1893. (Miniature Copy.)

REVENUE.		£.	£.	EXPENSES.		£.	£.	£.
Imports :				Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions			10,160	
Royal Niger Company		56,023		Constabulary Force :				
Other traders		874	56,897	Officers' pay		1,514		
				Men's pay		11,457		
Exports :				Ocean passages		346		
Royal Niger Company		46,308		Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, and clothing		1,245		
Other traders		6,016	52,324	Officers' rations		1,455		
				Men's rations		3,613		
Licences :				Barrack expenses		693		
Royal Niger Company		450		Interest on 250,000/.			20,323	
Other traders		190	640	Stations :			12,500	
Miscellaneous			895	Building and Depreciation Account		1,975		
				Interest on Capital Expenditure		985		
				Expenses for repairs		2,511		
				Steamers :			5,471	
				Building and Depreciation Account		6,836		
				Interest on Capital Expenditure		1,735		
				Ship's stores		1,284		
				Insurance		1,573		
				Coal		4,326		
				Other fuel		1,526		
				Europeans' pay		1,372		
				Coloured men's pay		5,226		
				Europeans' ocean passages		113		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		438		
				Europeans' provisions		484		
				Coloured men's provisions		4,242		
				Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :			20,155	
				Salary of Chief Justice		1,026		
				Salary of Puisne Judge		784		
				Wages of clerk and attendants		201		
				Salaries of other Europeans		5,736		
				Wages of coloured men		2,563		
				Europeans' ocean passages		728		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		219		
				Europeans' provisions		3,544		
				Coloured men's provisions		1,182		
				Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :			15,083	
				Governing Council and advisers		625		
				Management and clerks		3,129		
				Cables and postages		436		
				Sundry charges		977		
				Office expenses		496		
							5,663	
			£.					99,275
			110,756					

Certified 8 March, 1895,

George Traubman Goldie,  
Deputy Governor.

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NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1894. (Miniature Copy.)

REVENUE.			EXPENSES.		
	£.	£.		£.	£.
Imports :			Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions		12,204
Royal Niger Company	26,228		Constabulary Force :		
Others	153	26,381	Officers' pay	1,849	
			Men's pay	12,100	
Exports :			Ocean passages	653	
Royal Niger Company	—	46,867	Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, clothing	2,892	
			Officers' rations	1,087	
Licences :			Men's rations	3,613	
Royal Niger Company	—	450	Barrack expenses	984	23,178
Miscellaneous	—	462	Interest on 250,000 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	12,500
			Stations :		
			Building, &c., depreciation account	2,078	
			Interest on capital expenditure	969	
			Expenses for repairs	2,321	5,368
			Steamers :		
			Depreciation account	8,399	
			Interest on capital expenditure	1,370	
			Ships' stores	1,338	
			Insurance	2,026	
			Coal	4,353	
			Other fuel	1,397	
			Europeans' pay	983	
			Coloured men's pay	4,446	
			Europeans' ocean passages	145	
			Coloured men's ocean passages	307	
			Europeans' provisions	408	
			Coloured men's provisions	4,116	29,238
			Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :		
			Salary of Chief Justice	922	
			Salary of Puisne Judge	874	
			Wages of clerk and attendants	279	
			Salaries of other Europeans	5,803	
			Wages of coloured men	2,128	
			Europeans' ocean passages	877	
			Coloured men's ocean passages	154	
			Europeans' provisions	3,394	
			Coloured men's provisions	1,131	15,562
			Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :		
			Governing Council and advisers	625	
			Management and clerks	3,448	
			Cables and postages	351	
			Sundry charges	978	
			Office expenses	499	
					5,901
	£.	74,160			104,001

Certified, 17 January 1896

J. Hamilton, *Surveyor, Accounts.*



NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE and EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1895. (Miniature Copy.)

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REVENUE :		£.	£.	EXPENSES.		£.	£.	£.
Imports :				Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions			11,175	
Royal Niger Company		40,397		Constabulary Force :				
Others		217	40,614	Officers' pay		1,998		
Exports :				Men's pay		14,623		
Royal Niger Company		—	46,260	Ocean passages		675		
Licences :				Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, clothing		2,659		
Royal Niger Company		—	460	Officers' rations		1,374		
Miscellaneous		—	472	Men's rations		5,080		
				Barrack expenses		1,118		
				Interest on 250,000/.		—	27,527	
				Stations :			12,500	
				Buildings, &c., depreciation account		3,000		
				Interest on capital expenditure		901		
				Expenses for repairs		2,904		
				Steamers :			6,805	
				Depreciation account		5,768		
				Interest on capital expenditure		1,172		
				Ships' stores		1,445		
				Insurance		2,523		
				Coal		3,992		
				Other fuel		1,362		
				Europeans' pay		1,203		
				Coloured men's pay		5,604		
				Europeans' ocean passages		322		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		304		
				Europeans' provisions		577		
				Coloured men's provisions		3,903		
				Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :			28,175	
				Salary of Chief Justice		969		
				Salary of Puisne Judge		1,029		
				Wages of clerk and attendants		341		
				Salaries of other Europeans		6,132		
				Wages of coloured men		2,735		
				Europeans' ocean passages		615		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		152		
				European's provisions		3,360		
				Coloured men's provisions		1,121		
				Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :			16,454	
				Governing Council and advisers		625		
				Management and clerks		3,111		
				Cables and postages		508		
				Sundry charges		1,551		
				Office expenses		532		
							6,327	
		£.	87,806					108,963

Certified 19 January 1897.

R. Hamilton Joscelyne, Accountant.

NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1896.

REVENUE.		£.	£.	EXPENSES.		£.	£.	£.
Imports :				Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions		—	12,212	
Royal Niger Company		44,320		Constabulary Force :				
Others		142	44,462	Officers' Pay		1,768		
				Men's Pay		17,116		
Exports :				Ocean Passages		525		
Royal Niger Company		—	51,556	Arms, Ammunition, Accountments, Clothing		2,367		
Others		—	—	Officers' Rations		1,417		
				Men's Rations		5,067		
Licences :				Barrack Expenses		2,037		
Royal Niger Company		—	470					30,237
Miscellaneous		—	5,842	Interest on 250,000l.		—		12,500
				Stations :				
				Buildings, &c., Depreciation Account		3,147		
				Interest on Capital Expenditure		858		
				Expenses for Repairs		2,670		6,675
				Steamers :				
				Depreciation Account		5,833		
				Interest on Capital Expenditure		1,839		
				Ships' Stores		964		
				Insurance		2,600		
				Coal		5,057		
				Other Fuel		1,633		
				Europeans' Pay		1,232		
				Coloured Men's Pay		6,232		
				Europeans' Ocean Passages		240		
				Coloured Men's Ocean Passages		435		
				Europeans' Provisions		517		
				Coloured Men's Provisions		4,734		31,316
				Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :				
				Salary of Chief Justice		955		
				Salary of Puisne Judge		1,030		
				Wages of Clerk and Attendants		282		
				Salaries of other Europeans		6,315		
				Wages of Coloured Men		3,046		
				Europeans' Ocean Passages		1,203		
				Coloured Men's Ocean Passages		218		
				Europeans' Provisions		3,937		
				Coloured Men's Provisions		1,313		18,299
				Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :				
				Governing Council and Advisers		625		
				Management and Clerks		3,142		
				Cables and Postages		580		
				Sundry Charges		1,800		
				Office Expenses		519		6,666
			£.					117,905
			102,330					

Certified 10 March 1898.

J. Hamilton Josephine, Accountant.

NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1897.

REVENUE.		£.	£.	EXPENSES.		£.	£.	£.
Imports :				Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions		—	24,148	
Royal Niger Company		47,641		Constabulary Force :				
Others		232		Officers' pay		2,336		
			47,873	Men's pay		17,956		
Exports :				Ocean passages		804		
Royal Niger Company			45,330	Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, clothing		1,868		
				Officers' rations		1,775		
Licences :				Men's rations		6,107		
Royal Niger Company			450	Barrack expenses		2,500		33,346
Miscellaneous			392	Interest on 250,000l.		—		12,500
				Stations :				
				Building and depreciation account		2,361		
				Interest on capital expenditure		882		
				Expenses for repairs		2,961		6,204
				Steamers :				
				Depreciation account		2,326		
				Interest on capital expenditure		2,224		
				Ships' stores		1,163		
				Insurance		3,663		
				Coal		5,504		
				Other fuel		1,760		
				Europeans' pay		1,574		
				Coloured men's pay		7,151		
				Europeans' provisions		590		
				Coloured men's provisions		5,317		
				Europeans' ocean passages		202		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		612		32,086
				Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :				
				Salary of Chief Justice		1,141		
				Salary of Puisne Judge		929		
				Wages of clerks and attendants		387		
				Salaries of other Europeans		7,353		
				Wages of coloured men		3,479		
				Europeans' ocean passages		1,130		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		306		
				Europeans' provisions		4,431		
				Coloured men's provisions		1,477		20,633
				Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :				
				Governing Council and advisers		594		
				Management and clerks		3,411		
				Cables and postages		655		
				Sundry charges		1,516		
				Office expenses		544		
							6,720	
			£. 94,045					135,637

Certified 6 April 1899.

R. Hamilton Joscelyne, Accountant.

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NIGER GOVERNMENT.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT, 1898.

REVENUE.		£.	£.	EXPENSES.		£.	£.	£.
Imports :				Subsidies and Special Administrative Missions		—	15,993	
Royal Niger Company		62,794		Constabulary Force :				
Others		260	63,054	Officers' pay		3,114		
Exports :				Men's pay		20,069		
Royal Niger Company		—	48,981	Ocean passages		773		
Licences :				Arms, ammunition, accoutrements, clothing		3,581		
Royal Niger Company		—	480	Officers' rations		1,841		
Miscellaneous		—	790	Men's rations		7,312		
				Barrack expenses		4,447		
				Interest on 250,000l.		—	41,137	
				Stations :			12,500	
				Building and depreciation account		1,937		
				Interest on capital expenditure		900		
				Expenses for repairs		3,857		
				Steamers :			6,694	
				Depreciation account		5,927		
				Interest on capital expenditure		1,932		
				Ships' stores		1,001		
				Insurance		3,320		
				Coal		5,800		
				Other fuel		3,363		
				Europeans' pay		1,732		
				Coloured men's pay		8,193		
				Europeans' provisions		633		
				Coloured men's provisions		7,031		
				Europeans' ocean passages		225		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		590		
						39,747		
				Deduct,—Freight carried for the W.A.F.F.		10,210		
				Salaries and Maintenance of Staff in Africa :			29,537	
				Salary of Chief Justice		904		
				Salary of Puisne Judge		1,024		
				Wages of clerk and attendants		392		
				Salaries of other Europeans		6,503		
				Wages of coloured men		4,006		
				Europeans' ocean passages		1,133		
				Coloured men's ocean passages		295		
				Europeans' provisions		5,747		
				Coloured men's provisions		1,915		
				Miscellaneous Expenses and Home Administration :			21,919	
				Governing Council's advisers		600		
				Management and clerks		3,427		
				Cables and postages		1,164		
				Sundry charges		1,593		
				Office expenses		529		
							7,313	
			£. 113,305					135,693

Certified 5 July 1899.

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