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The Provincial Office,

K A B B A,

28th. January, 1914.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith Annual Report (No. 5) on Kabba Province for the year ending 31st. December 1913, together with the following Returns:-

- (1) Annual Statistical Return.
- (2) Deaths of Non - Natives.
- (3) Return of Officers who hold or have held Military Rank.
- (4) Statement of Expenditure against Departmental Votes.
- (5) Certificate re Code Book.
- (6) Statement of Revenue & Expenditure (Part-of-fial.)

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. J. J.

Resident Kabba Province.

THE SECRETARY NORTHERN PROVINCES,

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ATTACHMENTS.

- (1) Estimate of population.
- (2) Table of criminal cases (1908-1913).
- (3) Final W/21 for 1913.
- (4) Annual Statement of Revenue
- (5) Produce Map.

KABBA PROVINCE

ANNUAL REPORT No. 5 FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st. DECEMBER 1913

BY J. A. IDEY GREAVES, RESIDENT.

STAFF.

(1) The following Officers served in the Province during the year:-

Name	Rank	Period	Station or Division
J. A. Idey Greaves	Resdt. II.	18/2/13-31/12/13	P. Hdquarters
K. V. Elphinstone	-do-	1/1/13-27/2/13	"
D. Gator	Resdt. III.	26/6/13-28/6/13	"
-do-	-do-	29/6/13-30/9/13	Agbaja Div.
-do-	-do-	1/10/13-31/12/13	Southern Div
J. G. Walker	A/R.	13/4/13-14/4/13	P. Hdquarters
-do-	-do-	15/4/13-22/10/13	Southern Div
-do-	-do-	23/10/13-27/10/13	P. Hdquarters
R. M. Blackwood	A/R.	1/1/13-23/4/13	Southern Div
-do-	-do-	21/11/13-31/12/13	P. Hdquarters
H. B. James	A/R.	1/1/13-31/3/13	Agbaja Div.
-do-	-do-	1/4/13-3/6/13	P. Hdquarters
G. Macgregor	A/R.	27/6/13-12/7/13	"
-do-	-do-	13/7/13-31/12/13	Southern Div
C. P. Davis	A.C.P.	1/8/13-31/12/13	P. Hdquarters
L. Doudney	M. O.	10/11/13-29/12/13	"
J. W. Vincent	Hurst	14/4/13-4/10/13	"
J. E. Crowley	Sougt.	29/12/13-31/12/13	"

x (2) The average of Political Officers for the year was 3.5.

x (3) The Native Staff (Clerical) consists of one 1st. class and three 2nd. class Clerks. The following shows the distribution:-

Mr. W. P. Baffoe, 1st. Class Clerk, Provincial Headquarters.

Mr. B. Abouh, 2nd. Class Clerk, Provincial Headquarters.

Mr. O. N. Caulker, 2nd. Class Clerk, IDDO.

Mr. J. B. Affainie, 2nd. Class Clerk, Provincial Headquarters.

to GENERAL.

(4) On the whole, I think I can say that slow but steady progress has been made during the year under review.

(5) The re-assessment of the IGBIRRA and KUKURUKU Districts is well advanced, and should be completed before May 1914.

(6) The chiefs, throughout the Province, have been co-operating loyally with the Government; the roads are all safe, and the number of petty traders increasing. One meets Hausa and Nupe traders, very often women, where 5 years ago they would not have ventured, unless in a fairly large party. It is fair to be said there has been one move made, which I regret to say is a retrograde one, and that is the declaring of IGBIRRA and KUKURUKU as unsettled Districts. This was unavoidable, in view of the instructions received on the matter.

*Very satisfactory (H.H.L.S.)
A more satisfactory result (H.H.L.S. & Co. Ltd.)*

(7) There was one regrettable incident during the year, and that was when Mr. Assistant Resident Macgregor was fired on by some of the natives of IMIAKESU as he was effecting an arrest. It is more regrettable as one life was lost. The matter has been fully reported elsewhere. I may say that there was no concerted action on the part of the people, and that all expressed their deep regret at what had happened. The people of the town have always been, and now are, willing and anxious to help the Government.

(8) There have been no deportations from the Province during the year.

(9) Attached will be found a list showing the latest estimate of population in each Division. The adults are, I am inclined to think, very nearly correct in number, but the children are considerably under-estimated.

PROVINCIAL HEADQUARTERS, AND HEADQUARTERS OF
KABBA DIVISION.

(10) The following Officers have been in charge of the Province:-

Mr. E. V. Elphinstone, 1st. January to 18th February.

Mr. J. A. Ley Greaves, 19th. February to 31st December.

(11) KABBA DIVISION consists of AKOKO, BUNG, KABBA and YACBA Districts. The attitude of the natives throughout the Division is excellent.

excellent. Their tribute, though considerably increased, was paid up promptly.

*A more reliable factory record
(H.E. 21. 5. 1911)*

(12) Any demands for labour are cheerfully and willingly complied with. All the arrests that have been made in the Division during the year have been effected by the natives themselves.

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(13) The re-assessment of the BUMU and YAGBA Districts was completed by Mr. Assistant Resident James, and his Assessment Reports have been sent in.

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(14) The BUMU District has been put under one chief; the arrangement is apparently working well, and the people willingly obey their chief.

(15) I am sorry to say that the same does not apply to the YAGBA District, the people being more scattered and not acknowledging any paramount chief in the Province. Time may correct this.

Tukunad.

(16) The Resident made an extended tour through the AKOKO District during the year, checking assessments etc. The results were most satisfactory, but there is still a great deal to be done in that part, and an Officer is being sent there to spend 3 months in the District. It is by far the wealthiest part of the Province, and a really close assessment should show considerably increased returns.

(17) AGRAJA DIVISION.

The following Officers were in charge of this

this Division during the year:-

Mr. H. B. James, Assistant Resident, 1st. January
to 31st. March.

Mr. D. Gator, 3rd. Resident, 1st. July to 30th
September, when he left to take over
charge of the Southern Division.

(18) The attitude of the natives in this
Division has been highly satisfactory throughout
the year.

(19) The Division is divided up as follows:-

KAKANDA DISTRICT. Headman EESU BUDOH.

AWORO DISTRICT. " ONU of AGHAJA.

This District included Dampungen, Igbiras (water-
side) and miscellaneous aliens in villages on
the confines of LOKOJA Cantonment.

KUPA DISTRICT. Headman EESU ABUJI.

EGGA. This is only a trading centre on the
Niger, and consists mainly of Nupes. It is now
under the ROGAN of EGGA, but ultimately will
be absorbed into the KUPA District.

(20) Whilst there was no Officer in the AGHAJA
Division, the District Headman sent in every
month to report that everything was going on
well.

(21) SOUTHERN DIVISION.

The following Officers have been in charge:-
Mr. R. M. Blackwood, Assistant Resident, 1st
January to 22nd April.

Mr. J. C. Walker, Assistant Resident, 23rd April
to 30th September.

Mr. D. Gater, 3rd Resident, 1st October to 31st December.

(22) The Division consists of the IGBIRRA and KURURUKU Districts.

(23) I made one tour right through the Southern Division during the year under review, inspecting the headquarters.

(24) I also visited the IGBIRRA District on several occasions in connection with a slight trouble amongst the ODABI people over the appointment of a headman.

(25) Considerable improvement is shown all round in this Division, the people invariably receiving you most hospitably, where a few years ago they would have bolted when you got within a few hundred yards of the villages. I attribute this mainly to the good work done by Mr. Walker and Mr. Macgregor, especially the former.

(26) Mr. Gater has done some remarkably good work in laying out and building a new station. This was done on the advice of the Junior Sanitary Officer.

(27) I quote the following from Mr. Gater's Annual Report:- "There have been some changes in the grouping of some of the IKA and ODABI towns in IGBIRRA.

(28) "In connection with the latter some re-assessment has taken place, but any alteration in revenue will not appear till next year.

(29) "In accordance with instructions from headquarters

"headquarters the local cattle was taxed at 1/-
"a head.

(30) "This produces quite a negligible quantity
"in KUKURUKU and only some £30 in IGIBRA. I
"very much fear that the taxing of these
"animals will tend to cause the strain to die
"out which will be a great pity.

(31) "The chiefs generally are well disposed
"towards Government.

(32) "The death of DEGBISO, chief of AIYA, early
"in the year is much to be regretted, and it
"will be a loss to Government. He was, I
"believe, the most enlightened chief in the
"Division.

(33) "A bad fire occurred in AKURONI and
"another in OKENI early in the year, which
"was reported on at the time. There was some
"considerable loss of life in the former
"though the numbers given sound much exaggerated.

(34) "A new township has been laid out at
"AJAKUTA.

(35) "I have been taking notes towards re-
"mapping the Division but have not had such
"opportunity for travel in the short period
"I have been here. At the same time, for
"general purposes, the current printed map
"has the majority of places marked without
"I think any glaring errors.

(36) "Beacons have been placed on various
"prominent hills. This was done, I believe,
"by an H. C. O. in the Survey Department of

"Southern Nigeria.

(37) "Mr. A. R. Macgregor also arrived in the
"Division on 13th July and latterly has been
"in charge of the IGBIRRA District.

(38) "It is much to be regretted that for so
"long a time there was only one Officer in
"the Division; there is a very quick sliding
"back the moment either place is left un-
"attended.

(39) "There have not been any troops in the
"Division during the year.

(40) "In September when the arrest of the
"SHABA of IMIAKBUU was effected by police,
"the Assistant Resident was fired on. There
"were 3 casualties on the part of the natives
"from the return fire of the police. No
"casualties on our side".

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BY J. A. LEY GREAVES, RESIDENT.

JUDICIAL.

(41) The following table shows the number of criminal cases tried during the year under review; also the number of persons convicted, and the nature of sentences:-

Nature of offence.	No. of cases.	No. of persons convicted.
Murder.	4.	-
Manslaughter.	-	1.
Assault.	2.	3.
Larceny.	12.	9.
Revenue Offences.	1.	1.
Slavery.	2.	2.
Arson.	3.	3.
Wounding.	3.	3.
Burglary.	5.	6.
Trial by Ordeal.	2.	3.
Kidnapping & Abduction.	1.	1.
Official Corruption.	6.	7.
Spirituous Liquor Offences.	4.	3.
Indecent Assault.	1.	1.
Miscellaneous.	30.	53.
Total.	63.	80.

NATURE OF SENTENCES.

Imprisonment for 5 years and over.	4.
" " 3 " " below 5.	10.
" " 1 year " " 3.	12.
" " 6 months " under 1 year	38.
Under six months.	16.
Fines.	19.
Total.	99.

(42) The attached table shows the number of cases tried since 1908.

(43) There appears to have been an increase in crime during the year; this is mainly due to the increased facilities of travel, the majority of the criminals being Hausas driven from their own country.

(44) Mr. Assistant Resident Macgregor was granted increased Judicial Powers of an Assistant Resident in charge of Division whilst in charge of:

(i) KUKURUKU District.

(ii) IGBIRRA District.

(45) 7 civil cases were heard, all being claims for debt.

(46) 168 petty or informal cases were dealt with during the year.

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 ANNUAL REPORT No. 8 FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31st. DECEMBER 1913
 BY J. A. DEY GREAVES, RESIDENT.

NATIVE COURSES.

(47) The following are the Judicial Councils in the Province:-

KABBA.	Grade D.
OKENI.	Grade C.
AWORO.	Grade C.
IDDO.	Grade C.
ISUA.	Grade C.

(48) The following table shows the number of cases dealt with:-

Court.	Matrimonial	offences against peace	offences against property	Debt	offences against public health	Disputes as to property	Public Authority	Scholar sh.	offences relating to duties of justice	Miscellaneous	Total
AWORO.	34	13	9	15	-	9	7	-	2	7	85
IDDO.	45	3	-	13	-	1	-	-	-	8	70
KABBA.	143	17	6	21	5	3	6	1	-	16	215
OKENI.	135	-	-	22	-	3	-	-	-	-	163
Total.	357	33	15	77	5	16	13	1	2	31	550

(49) ISUA has only recently been granted a warrant, and, up to date, no returns have been received.

(50) No cases of any public interest have come up during the year, the majority of the cases being

being matrimonial disputes and debts.

(51) Mr. Cator writes as follows from the Southern Division as regards the two Native Courts there:- "These Courts are just feeling their way, and are but seldom allowed to deal with a criminal case, and it will be some years before they can relieve the Resident of so many petty offences as in more advanced Provinces.

(52) "The Mallam at IDDO was found unsatisfactory and dismissed, and has not been replaced.

(53) "Although summonses are on the whole fairly readily obeyed, there are too many cases when people do not answer. In some of these a second messenger is sufficient, but as often as not the people run away, and the chiefs again and again do not exert their authority, and I fear it is only too true they even assist the person to get away".

(54) Mr. Cator's last paragraph is rather pessimistic; he must remember he is quite new in the Division, a Division where the personal equation counts for much. Mr. Walker always reported the reverse.

But note see Mr. Walker's Annual Report para 8 (Latom p 2)

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BY J. A. LEE CRAVES, RESIDENT.

SLAVERY.

(55) There has only been one slave freed during the year. The freed slave, a boy, went to some of his friends.

(56) The total number of slaves freed since the inauguration of the Province is 88.

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BY J. A. LEE GREAVES, RESIDENT.

REVENUE AND TAXATION.

(57) The following table shows the Revenue (Land Rents) for the last three years:-

1911 - 1912.	£6,070. 12. 6
1912.	6,743. 5. 8
1913.	8,318. 18. 10

*An increase in
Sales factory
(H.H. No. 1. 6)*

(58) It will be seen that there is a steady increase, and I have every hope that 1914 will show a still larger amount collected in the Province.

(59) One thing as regards the amalgamation may be worth while noting, and that is the number of queries I have received from natives all over the Province as to whether now the country was all one they would be the same as the natives in Southern Nigeria and pay no taxes.

*They should be informed that the amalgamation will not affect them with regard to taxes which they pay.
(H.H. No. 1. 6)*

(60) This has been rather a hard question to answer, as no information as regards taxation in Southern Nigeria has been received.

(61) Attached will be found the Final Assessment W/21.

(62) The collection of tribute has given little or no trouble, and all was paid in before the 31st. December.

(63) I attach Annual Statement of Revenue showing the amount collected under each of the heads of Revenue during the year, with the corresponding

corresponding amount for last year.

(64) There is one Customs Station in the Province viz: EGORI, but that is controlled by the Collector of Customs stationed at LOKOJA.