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Sierra Leone, 13th September, 1917

Between Mr. Jacomb, acting for Onas of Fomonga, plaintiff;
and Mr. Silvan Salvin, planter, Tavahe, defendant;
The year 1917, 13th September, at 10 a.m. the joint court, composed of
H.H. the President, court president & registrar; the French judge,
Jean L. Brown; the British judge, G. Alexander; in the presence of
the Public Prosecutor, Counsel, and Mr. Beuzel, Registrar, were sitting
in civil jurisdiction, in public hearing, first and last resort, delivered
the following judgment:

Considering that by writ of 28th August, 1917, Mr. Jacomb, acting for Joseph
alias Onas of Fomonga (New Hebrides) summoned Mr. Salvin before
the joint court for restitution of two bamboo tubes to the above-named

Considering that Mr. Salvin deposited the bamboos in question on the table
of the court that he placed them at the disposal of the plaintiff;

Considering, nevertheless, that in course of the debates, Mr. Salvin stated and
maintained that on the allegation of a certain number of natives, these bamboos
contained poisonous substances, of which Joseph, when on his property, made use
to send to sleep his co-inductured laborers, notably, a native woman, whom he had
carried off to the bush after administering portions of the substances mentioned;

That in presence of a statement of that nature the Public Prosecutor,
to whose speech was given, replied that he had no remarks to make, nor
request;

For these reasons:

The court notes the reply in the negative of the Public Prosecutor of the joint
court; gives in office a certificate to Mr. Salvin of his having restored
to Mr. Jacomb, as counsel, the bamboos in question to the plaintiff; and orders
Mr. Salvin to pay all costs.

So done, judged and delivered the day, month
and year as above, by the joint court, the
President; the British and French judges;
the Registrar, who have signed

The President:

signed Court of Buena Esperanza

The British judge:

signed G. Alexander

signed Beuzel

The French judge:

signed J. L. Brown

