

The Native Commissioner – essay practice

Read the following extract from a review of The Native Commissioner, written by Ivan Fallon for The Independent (<http://www.independent.co.uk/arts-entertainment/books/reviews/the-native-commissioner-by-shaun-johnson-410799.html>):

"I fear these Nationalists will want to treat the black man as an unperson. This could lead to terrible things," [George Jameson] writes home. "I don't know what it is going to mean for my job. Perhaps they will want to chuck all us English out?"

They don't chuck him out, but it might have been much better for George and his family if they had.

Write a literary essay in which you explore Fallon's comment that 'it might have been much better for George and his family if they had'. Refer to plot, theme and character in your analysis. Your essay should be approximately 600 words in length. Close and relevant reference to the novel is essential (quotes!).