

Mr. Gent H. Parkinson

Mr. Parkinson.

In the despatch of the 7th December, 1925, on File 25139 E.A., the S. of S. asked that in cases where a local applicant for appointment had had previous service, his application should be referred to the S. of S. by telegram if necessary, before he is engaged, even on a temporary basis. This ruling has been applied in several cases to people who have served in South Africa, the latest being those of (a) W.A. Dyke Poynter who resigned from the South Africa Department of Justice on the 7th December 1928, (File 32663 E.A.) and (b) H.J. Hannaford, formerly a technical instructor in the Vocational Training School at Pretoria 1918-21 (File 32624 E.A.)

In cases where a man has served under a Dominion Government we are very unlikely to have any information and I think that it is a waste of money for the Colonial Government to refer such cases to the Secretary of State by telegram, and a waste of time in any case

The Governor might be informed that it is unnecessary to apply the ruling to cases of people whose previous Government service has been under a Dominion Government and not ~~under~~ⁱⁿ the Colonial Service, referring to the two cases I have referred to above; but you may think it desirable to enter some caveat as regards service in territories in South Africa which can be regarded as Colonial Service.

H. H. H. H.

6/3/26

Kindly you did consider this matter, although there may not be...

cases outside Kenya in
which there is ~~no~~ ^{some} tendency
to local appointments.

If we write as proposed,
we should, I think, say that
if the Gov. wishes to appoint
a man with previous ~~domestic~~
Govt. service, he should first
ascertain the facts from
the dom. Govt. Direct
+ satisfy himself that there
is nothing in the applicant's
record during his service with
that Govt. to render appl.
undesirable.

All Partners
3.29

... I fear, misquotes, a rare thing in
... and the Governor was told in Confidential
... December, 1925, was that the
... considered it "desirable, most
... that in cases where a local
... had had previous Colonial
... should be referred to me".
... the Government of the
... had not had previous Colonial
... service;

service; and I should point this out. There is no
necessity to say more than that he appeared to have
misunderstood the Secretary of State's despatch.

Affidavit
8/4/29

I am sure to only ascertain
that Mr. G. J. is not used in
cases where the applicant has
had previous service in U.S.A.,
or other Dominions - in case
of service in some part of U.S.A.,
it will be made to Dept. as
as regards previous dom. Govt.
service as in my minute
of 6.3.29.

Room 29
W. Allen

All P
9.3.29
above

to Gov. Conf. 3.4.29.

Mr. Oliffe 12.3.29

Mr. Allen 21.3.29

Mr. Parinson

Mr. B. Bondley

Sir B. Harding

Sir J. Shuckburgh

Sir C. Grindle

Sir C. Davis

Sir S. Wilson

Mr. Ormsby-Gore

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~~March 1929~~

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Sir,

I have etc. to refer to para.3 of my Confidential despatch (3) of the 7th December, 1925, regarding the procedure to be followed in cases where local applicants for appointments under the Kenya Govt. have had previous Colonial service.

2. I note that the procedure laid down in that paragraph has been followed in the case of candidates who have previously served only under Dominion Governments, e.g. Mr. W.A. Dyke Foynter and Mr. M.J. Hannaford, both of the Education Department. It was not however intended that such reference should be made to me when the candidate's previous Government service had been

solely

solely in the Union of South Africa (or
in other Dominions); it is in fact unlikely
that I should, in such cases, have at my
disposal any information regarding his
services.

3. I would therefore suggest that, when
it is proposed to appoint a candidate with
previous service under a Dominion Government,
you would first ascertain ^{the} ~~any~~ necessary facts
direct from the Government of the Dominion

concerned, and that you should thus satisfy
yourself that there is nothing in the applicant's
previous service to render his
appointment inadvisable. It will be desirable

to refer to the suggestion in paragraph 4

of the circular of the 25th Nov, 1927,

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and the fact that at any time made

reference to the employment in the

past, and that it will of course be

necessary to state the circumstances in which

the applicant has been employed, even

if his previous service has been merely

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4. In cases where the applicant has served in the South Africa High Commission territories (Basutoland; Swaziland and the Bechuanaland Protectorate) the procedure outlined in my despatch under reference should be followed.

I have, etc.

(Signed) E. ALBERT