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21 July, 1925

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Lugay, Sir Edward

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Letter for the Secretary to the Governor
Laferna - Kenya

Consider that Secretariat cannot be
adequately staffed unless two new clerks
are sent out and that, as Miss Peltier
appears to be fully qualified, I hope she
may be appointed to one of the posts.

MINUTES

See 5 going off the 5 we want
Mr. K. in Scotland because
there is no real good messenger
available for the Garrison Office
at Nairobi - but there
had to be a good man
available at Nairobi that
is first time a Clerk
in Nairobi in the
Natal or Durban Branch
so we have to go to Nairobi
and get him

if he can't come
we'll get him
influence the nice old
old City Telegrapher to
be permanent office of the
Garrison Office. I have
already heard on what is
not officially record

Please see attached. I have
no doubt that here, Daelen will
require at least £300 £15 £350,
which would be a reasonable sum.

Provisionally say £250 £15 £300
but have probably been to bay
more.

As we are as yet unapportioned
so proceed to make an estimate, it
will be best to pay ~~£100~~
to Royal Mail (or BEA also)
less, if they can find up a really
good lady desk, like is an
expert hand operator & something
more, for arrival, for the second
post.

Red 4/1/45

I did however think that the
amount would be all out at the
beginning and no more was
going to be required.

The amount paid so far is £175.
This was when the letter was sent.
The letter was sent by air mail and
there was about it incurred - this was difficult
and probably why -

Red 4/1/45 when we get

M. Bottsley

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You will see a look into the various
quarters for lady desks.

The following are already owing in
various Dept's in London

Agriculture Dept

Bank of Eng. Bank £100

Metrop. Dist.

Post Office Post Paid £100

P.W.D.

Empire Cables Post Telegraph £100

Land Drainage

and Post Office Telegraph £100
Post Office £100

and Land Drainage

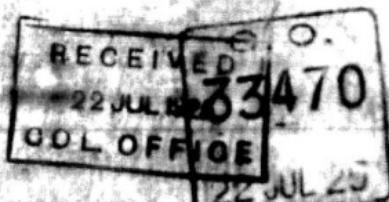
Post Office £100 - £100

These letters were all unpaid locally
at first. The drain in most of the areas
was due to unpaid or unpaid or unpaid
£100 - £100

The second class enclosed in this
copy might be approx £100 - £100
it seems reasonably that we should be
on a higher rate than the other post
offices already in the following

17, Waterloo Place,
S.W.1.

21st July 1925.



Sir,

In accordance with your instructions I enclose herewith the testimonials I have received to the capacity of Miss M.B. Dalton, whom I am proposing as one of the clerks for the Secretariat to the Governor's Conference. It is, in my opinion, exceedingly important that the clerks in that office should have a fairly wide experience and should be absolutely trust-worthy in dealing with confidential affairs. I am told on all hands that there is a dearth of good stenographers and clerks in the Colony, and I am certain that the Secretariat cannot be adequately staffed unless two new clerks are sent out. Miss Dalton seems to have the qualifications necessary for the post, and I hope she may be appointed.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient, humble Servant,

Edward Shippey

Under-Secretary of State
for the Colonies,
Colonial Office,
Downing Street.

S.W.1

BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION
SOUTH AFRICAN PAVILION
WEMBLEY
LONDON

Wed 22/24

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Wembley 16/7

26 June 1925

SEE
SOUTH AFRICA
AT
WEMBLEY

Dear Grigg.

Are you and Lily Grigg by any chance contemplating taking to Kenya a lady butler, if so may I suggest the name of Mrs M.E. Dalton to you.

Mrs Dalton worked for General Smuts in a short period in 1917 and again at the Imperial Conference - has been working with me since March last at the exhibition office that she was about 7½ years with 16 years experience in the White's Office - in the air Ministry - and late as her personal secretary.

She is an experienced and reliable lady whose discretion we can have absolute confidence in and her charge 2 months and

Dalton

Telephone: (WEMBLEY 2222).
Telegraphic Address: DOPPOSITELY, LONDON.

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fine character more than a very huffy
co-worker.

I think she would do well as
she is a good worker & always willing
to do a little extra when there are
so many institutions about in South Africa.

If you wished I would let her
or her or my start advice - not that
can give her enough - but one wants
help in one case.

Believe me

Your friend

S F Lane

COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO:
EXHIBITION COMMISSIONER,
SOUTH AFRICAN SECTION.
Following Number should be quoted:

BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION,
WEMBLEY,
MIDDLESEX.

6 July

1925

My dear Briggs

This introduces Miss M.E. Dalton
to you. I shall be seeing you on the
9th July and can tell you anything
you want to know about her etc.

Your friend

S F Lane

Sent to
(app's)

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unprobably
 It may be necessary to
 be very patient to obtain the services
 of a trained woman shorthand
 writer & typewriter in the
 Secretariat which it is proposed to
 set up in connexion with the
 arrangements for holding
 Farmers' Conference at
 Nairobi.

What requires is a
 really good lady clerk who
 is an expert stenographer.
 Something more (eg some
 capacity to carry out secretarial
 duties) ?

~~Answer recorded~~

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