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FOR CIRCULATION -
Mr. ~~Parsons~~
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Secretary of State.

SUBJECT

Staff of Forest Dept.

Decreased requirements
and asks that steps
may be taken for add
of one Asst. Com. orator
for 1924

Previous Paper

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MINUTES

(As this has come to our first, I hope you
will not mind my mentioning.)

If para. 11. means ~~to~~ to which I
am not sure that there will definitely
be one vacancy in 1924, we should
be paid if we might have a 1/2 for
it now. It is proposed to select
cands. for various vacancies in the
different Forestry Services during the
coming autumn, a most of the
vacs. are for duty in 1924. ~~AW~~
5-9.

Put by ✓

SILVER

20919/23 shows that we have already
got a candidate (Mr. Hockliffe) to fill the
vacancy which will be caused by
Mr. Jackson's retirement.

The Gov. has been told in a letter
of 20 June - on 17622 GA.

Do not think we can very well
press legislative Council to the contrary.

Subsequent Paper

MINUTES.

MINUTES NOT TO BE WRITTEN
ON THIS SIDE.

then decision.

? P. Sec. 7 Abkhaz Dept
to note no further vacancies
at present in Kermuc.

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See slip attached as
to 33168 which cannot
be found. It contained
as well as the ab. a
letter from Mr. Balthazar
urging his proposals,
and (probably) record of
discussion with Sir R.
Coryndon.

Anyhow the position
is ^{as} stated by Mr. Seal. It
looks as if this despatch
was drafted before they
got our despatch about
Hochliffe.

? as proposed

C.P.O. 10.9.23

Capt. Balthazar

It will physically be
above a list then re-issued
for further search for

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As per

according to meaning

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1st August, 1923.

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My Lord Duke,

With reference to Your Grace's despatch No. 497 of April 9th and my telegram No. 191 of July 2nd on the subject of appointments in the Forest Department during 1924 and succeeding years, I have the honour to inform Your Grace that the Estimates of that Department for 1924 have now been considered in Executive Council.

2. Mr. Battiscombe, prior to his departure on leave, submitted a request for an increase of staff which entailed the new appointments of

- 1 Senior Assistant Conservator of Forests
- 1 Assistant Conservator of Forests
- 3 Cadets
- and 1 Forest Surveyor.

This request was based on Professor Troup's recommendations.

3. In dealing with Departmental Estimates this year the members of Executive Council have recognized that the probability of the Colony being faced with a floating debt at the end of this year renders a searching scrutiny of all proposed increases of expenditure imperative. The principle therefore on which Estimates have been treated has been the elimination of all suggested new services which involve a nett increase over the current Estimates and cannot be shown to be absolutely essential.

4. This necessity did not appear to exist in

the

GRACE
THE DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE, K.G., P.C., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O.,
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES,
DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S.W.

the case of Mr. [Name]’s proposals and I regret that I feel myself compelled to accept the advice of 415
 Executive Council and to confine this Government to the maintenance of the present strength of the Forest Department. The retirement of Mr. Jackson at the end of this year will cause one vacancy amongst the Assistant Conservators on the assumption that his place will be filled by promotion from the existing staff. Recommendations in this regard will be submitted in due course and I would ask that steps be taken to make an appointment of one Assistant Conservator for 1924. When the Revenue Estimates of the Colony for 1924 are received a further consideration will be given to this question but I am unable to express any hope that an increase of staff will be possible.

5. I greatly regret that my minimum estimate for the years 1925-28 must be simply the present strength and that apart from the contingencies of transfer or sickness no new officers will be required during those years. I note however that it will be open to the Governor when preparing the Estimates in each year to make additions to the requirements now given so that if the financial situation improves it will be possible at a later date to revise this minimum estimate.

I have the honour to be,
 My Lord Duke,
 Your Grace’s most devoted
 and most obedient servant,



ACTING GOVERNOR.