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KENYA

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Date

10TH NOVEMBER 1923

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REGULATION

*The following
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17/11/23*

SUBJECT

VACANCY FOR DEPUTY TREASURER

States applications for post from Watson and Lee being forwarded by to-day's mail. If post is to be filled locally considers P. Warston best selection that can be made.

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Secretary of State

Executive Paper

MINUTES

No application for promotion has hitherto been received from any of the 3 officers mentioned herein. The files are held:

5716 CA. P. C. T. Watson, Senior Asst. Treasurer.

(The best in Sen only 187th Wickwood. Reports somewhat mediocre. - see that for 1920.)
9 1/2 years service.

~~5716 CA.~~ 5519 CA. H. N. Lee, O.B.C. Senior Asst. Auditor.

Reports very good. Asst 15
Asst. Audit Dept. 1.12.1913.
In Kenya since Jan 2, 1914

*See recommended letter of Feb. 24
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Subsequent Paper

See 59666

VACANCY FORM.

Jeffries
PROMOTIONS BRANCH.

REFERENCE Gov 54645/23 Kenya

PRIVATE SECRETARY (APPOINTMENTS)

COUNTRY. Kenya

VACANCY Deputy Secretary

DESCRIPTION OF VACANCY Transfer to the P.M.A. office

REMUNERATION £ 800 per annum

WHETHER FREE PASSAGES PROVIDED.

Yes, first class

WHETHER FREE QUARTERS PROVIDED

Yes, or an allowance

RESTRICTIONS AS TO MARRIAGE.

No

REMARKS

See Gov 54645/23 and Governor's remarks on local candidates. A despatch on this point is to follow. This is to enable outside candidates to be collected in advance.

15/11
E.J.F.

Mr. Hollaway

The vacancy for Deputy Treasurer, Kenya (L500) was brought before the Promotion Committee at their Meeting of the 2nd of January 1924, when they considered the names of

Mr. M. M. Mackintosh, Chief Clerk in Treasury, Antigua
Mr. H. L. Taylor, Assistant Treasurer Zanzibar
Mr. W. H. Walker, Assistant Treasurer, British West Indies
Mr. J. M. Mackintosh, Assistant Treasurer, Honduras
Mr. J. M. Mackintosh, Assistant Treasurer, Solomon Islands
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The Committee recommended Mr. Bayles, particulars of whose services are annexed

S. A. Reed

Jan 4/24

Mr. Bayles won over Mr. Larston by one vote (e.g. 3-2), and two members were unable to make up their minds. On this account, and because of a real doubt in my own mind, I have thought it proper to set out a comparison between the two.

Mr. Bayles has much longer service and good reports and is strongly recommended for this post by Zanzibar. He has had bad luck in being sent to Zanzibar, which has meant practically no additional salary to him and a more expensive

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manner of life without any prospects of promotion. His post is indeed superfluous, and he is acutely conscious of that fact, and restless through having too little work to do. We are not likely soon to have so good a chance for providing for a good man.

Mr. Marston has service from 1917 only but had banking experience before that. In asking for the vacancy to be filled the Governor does not go further than to say that the Treasurer considers that Mr. Marston is the best officer in his Department for this post if it is to be filled locally. However, Mr. Grannum has given a very strong report in favour of Mr. Marston, and says that he is eminently capable of filling the post, and that he is ~~the~~ the best Treasury officer that he has ever had under him, with a thorough knowledge of the duties, and completely ~~able~~ ^{capable} to act when the Treasurer is on leave.

From the point of view of tranquillity, it may perhaps be noted that the unofficial members of Council in Kenya have, in one instance, taken strong exception to a man being brought in from outside to the exclusion of a local candidate. This cannot be decisive, but there is no doubt that ^{if they complained} their complaints would be louder than those of Mr. Sayles. It is more to the point that the temper of the Legislative Council and Mr. Grannum's partiality for Mr. Marston might not simplify Mr. Sayles' task in the new appointment. On the other hand, to appoint

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The case of Capt. the former Member of Council is a very interesting one. I think that it is only in the case of Mr. Marston that the Council would be likely to take exception to the appointment of a man from outside. It is true that the Council is a body of men who are not likely to be very sympathetic towards a man who is not a local candidate. But I think that the Council would be more likely to take exception to the appointment of a man from outside than to the appointment of a man from the local area.

appoint Mr. Marston is definitely to pass over
Mr. Walker, ~~senior member~~ senior member of the Kenya
staff against whom there is no definite
siding in ~~advance~~ ^{advance}.

I do not know Mr. Marston. Mr. Bayles should
think very carefully from the point of view of
credibility, especially in the one respect in which
he has had the opportunity of showing his powers. ~~It is~~
to say of accepting as Acting Treasurer with an unfavourable
opinion of his task, however, is one which properly
falls to the lot of the Colonial Secretary, and, if Mr.
Bayles agrees the figures of which we can be pretty
confident, he should be able to keep his end up.

It was suggested in committee that, if the
exchange went to Mr. Marston, Mr. Bayles might be brought
into Mr. Marston's place. This is a possibility, but
I noted on Mr. Bayles' file when I saw him last August
that the Kenya senior grade would only be of advantage
to him (owing to the greater cost of living in Kenya)
if he were brought in at the ~~maximum~~ ^{maximum} of the scale.
This would mean extra expense for Kenya at a time when
we must look for all possible economies; but, if it
is decided to appoint Mr. Marston on the ground of the
Treasurer's very strong report on him, I think that such
an arrangement is the only fair course to adopt for
Mr. Bayles, unless we are to condemn him indefinitely
to rusting in Zanzibar.

+ (L600)

~~SECRET~~
R. J. R.

W.S. 1. 28
Sir J. Macdonald-Smith

The majority was a very narrow
one, but I do not see sufficient ground
for setting aside the recommendation. The
other Treasury Officers are scarce
& there ought to be no difficulty in
finding a suitable promotion before long.

I am, Sir, very
(Signed) Robert
G. ...
being filed for
reference.

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S. J. R.

appoint Mr. Harston is definitely to pass over
 Walter, ~~the~~ senior member of the Kenya
 Treasury staff against whom there is no definite
 evidence to ~~show~~
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 be brought into the picture from the point of view of
 the Treasury. It is in the one respect in which
 he has not the responsibility of showing his powers. *Katze*
 in his capacity of acting Treasurer with an unhelpful
 opposition to his task, however, it is one which properly
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 confident, he should be able to keep his end up.

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 if he were brought in at the ~~position~~ ^{requirement} of the scale.
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 we must look for all possible economies, but, if it
 is decided to appoint Mr. Harston on the ground of the
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W.C.S. 10.1.25
 Sir J. Macdonald - Smith

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 one, but I do not see sufficient ground
 for setting aside the recommendation: if
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 & there ought to be no difficulty in
 finding the necessary promotion before long.

I am a fool &
 (Special Officer)
 Government
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 H. J. R.
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The Collector

Telegraph to Kenya for early
reply to a telegram of 10/Jan

18.2.24

J.J. 19.2.24
at once.

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6.2.24
Sir J. Macdonald - Smith

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one, but I do not see sufficient ground
for setting aside the recommendation of
the ~~the~~ former Treasury officers are secured
a time after to be no difficulty in
finding the position for some time.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
J.J.

WALTER H. HALL Born January 1890; married; a child; educated at Dulwich College, shown in Snow Agents Office, 1908; Ulemin Customs Department, Nyassaland, 1909, do. Public Works Department, 1912; member of Nyassaland Volunteer Reserve, 1910-11; served with Nyassaland Field Force at Karungu, 1914; Assistant Financial Officer in occupied territory (German East Africa) 1914-17; reverted to Nyassaland Treasury, September, 1917; Assistant Treasurer, Lanzibar, 1921. (2450 - 20 - 2550).

Feb. 1920
764. S. A.

REPORT Governor Smith:- "His service as Accountant in the Public Works Department has been entirely satisfactory. He is a capable, industrious and energetic officer and is possessed of initiative and resources beyond the average".

Jan. 1922.

Resident Sinclair:- (in forwarding his application for Treasuryship, Lanzibar):- "During the short time that Mr. HALL has held the post of Assistant Treasurer and has acted as Treasurer he has shown himself to be hard-working and attentive to his duties. I do not however consider that even by the time the Treasuryship becomes vacant he will have had nearly enough experience to warrant his promotion to that post and I am therefore unable to recommend it."

April 1922.

In recommending the abolition of Mr. Bayles' post Mr. Sinclair adds "no reflection whatever is cast upon Mr. Bayles' efficiency".

Conf. Report
1922.

Resident Sinclair:- "Possesses a very sound knowledge of Government accounting and Treasury routine. Is intelligent and active in the discharge of his duties. He bears an excellent character and I regard him as a promising officer well qualified for promotion either as Treasurer in a small Dependency or as Deputy in a large one."

Candidature of the man
 (bearing in mind that the
 Government recommends the
 Minister).

8/11

14/11/23

We usually in a
 case like this give the
 Government to say whether
 he recommends a
 local man. It is
 clear that the Gov. is
 not enthusiastic about
 any of the local
 candidates, & the Prov.
 Dept. will no doubt
 have others to put
 up. But
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 before referring to
 Prov. Ctee.

Exp.

(J.) 14-11-23

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may be collected in
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W.C.S.

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Telegram from the Governor of Kenya to the Secretary of
State for the Colonies. Dated 10th November, 1923. 12 NOV 23
(Received Colonial Office 9.55 p.m. 10th November, 1923).

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No 533 10th November Your
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 Treasurer that application
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 some resident treasurer and
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 being presented by 6 days
 mail in after consultation
 treasurer consider if post
 be filled locally if Marston
 Assistant Treasurer is best
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 Governor

Gov Kanga
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DRAFT Telegram

19 Feb

Should be glad of an early
Reply accordingly request

Governor

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Amend me
10/17/20
19 Feb 20

to the Telegram of 10 January

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