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MR J.H.D.BRALES
MR H.THOMPSON
APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

Submits remarks as to Mr Beales' qualifications for appt of Manager of Kabete Farm. Director of Agriculture would prefer such a man as Mr Thompson whose application is enclosed.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE, NAIROBI, BRITISH EAST AFRICA

July 23rd 1914.

Sir.

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I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your confidential despatch of the 12th of June respecting an application on behalf of Mr. J. H. D. Beales for employment in this Protectorate.

Application

- 2. The Director of Agriculture reports that this gentleman is known to him personally and that, while he has a thorough practical knowledge of stock, he is deficient in those branches of scientific knowledge which are necessary in the Manager of an Experimental Farm where experiments with crops and economic products are constantly being conducted.
- 3. Mr.MacDonald states that he would prefer the appointment of a candidate such as Mr. H.Thompson, a copy of whose application I enclose and if he has communicated

The Right Honographs

Lewis Harcourt, P.C., M.P.

Secretary of State for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

LONDON, S. W.

communicated with you on the matter, would recommend his selection in preference to Mr. Beales.

I have the honour to be,

Sir.

Your humble, obedient servant

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P.O. Barkley Bridge. May 14th 1914.

7. Peodonald Esq.,
Dept.of Agriculture

Dear Mr. Macdonald.

I wrote you in January stating that I should like to consider the appointment as manager of the Government Farm at Kabete, about which Mr. Anderson, your Entomologist, had written to me, Mr. Anderson I also think discussed the matter with you.

I have also written you since, but as yet have received no reply.

In case some of the corres-pendence has gone astray, I again write you, and
would be pleased if you could give me full particu-lars regarding the post, and at what date you would
desire the post to be taken up.

From particulars forwarded by Mr. Anderson, I am inclined to think that the past would suit me, and should like you to consider me as a candidate.

pience, both in connection with experimental farms, and in ordinary general farming, being the son of farmer, taking my degree in Africulture, serving ten years as vice-principal and lecturer at the Agricultural College, Cheshire, and being vice-principal at Petchestroom, Transvaal, for the last three years.

I left Petchestroom in December

last, my relations with Mr. Smith and Mr. Holm not being such as to lead them to recommend the extension of my three year's contract. I cannot discuss the matter here, but I can assure you that my work at Potonegtroom has always proceed most successful, and that my reputation throughout the Transveal, as well as my preright from home; have always boom of the best.

I shall be pleased if you will let us have a reply as soon as possible, since I am at present undesided as to what course to take.

I should be pleased if you will reply

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Rosetta, Natal.

Respectfully Yours,

signed :- H. Thompson.