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Female Postal Clerks & Telegraphists

Recommends Miss J. Williamson for
Superintendence of Messrs. Hill, Brooking, & all Postal Clerks &
& Bonell & G. B. B. as better than
Telegraphists & Miss J. Blackburn as well
Suffolkshire. If any of these do not take up the
office recommends Miss J. & Miss J. B. & Miss J. B.

Mr. Butler

Enclosed herewith for you

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Mr. Butler

I submit enclosed herewith
after speaking to you

has not been until we have definitely
presented through the P.O. that the
Candidate for inland to assist
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GENERAL POST OFFICE C O
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31 May 1910.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 4th instant, No. 12635/1910, and to previous correspondence, concerning the vacant appointments for six Female Postal Clerks and Calligraphists, one to act as Supervisor and Mailman, at Nairobi, British East Africa, I am directed by the Postmaster General to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, that a large number of applications for the posts have been received.

According to the memorandum of qualifications enclosed with your letter of the 10th of December last, No. 39977/1909, it is desired that candidates shall have a knowledge of counter work and be able to send and receive telegrams at not less than 30 words a minute, and that two of them shall have practical experience of the working of a telephone exchange, but, in the case of these two, a knowledge of counter work is not regarded as essential. A fair proportion of the candidates was found to be ^{well} qualified in all three kinds of work, and, as it would doubtless be of considerable advantage to the Post Office of British East Africa for the female staff at Nairobi to be interchangeable, it has been considered advisable to give such candidates the

preference.

Under Secretary of State

COLONIAL OFFICE.

preference.

The most suitable candidate for the Supervisorship appears to be Miss J. Williamson, age 35, Sorting Clerk and Telegraphist at Edinburgh, who has a good knowledge of counter and telephone exchange work and is an excellent telegraphist. She is described as eminently qualified for the post. She is stated to be of good appearance, self-reliant and likely to gain the respect of officers under her control. She has had 20 years' service in this Department, and has had some experience as a supervising officer. She has also been on the Dining Room Committee of the Edinburgh Post Office and states that she is well used to catering for a fairly large household.

The five most suitable candidates for the Minor Appointments appear to be Misses M. Brown, E. M. Broomhall, L. Bleakman, L. Bonall, and E. G. Snowden, aged respectively 31, 27, 26, 32, and 26, all employed in provincial Offices, Miss Bleakman as a Call Wire Telephonist and the four others as Sorting Clerks and Telegraphists. All of them have good health, but, in case any of them should not be passed by the Medical Adviser to the Colonial Office or for any other reason should fail to take up the appointment, the Postmaster General suggests Miss F. C. Leak and Miss I. Bird, provincial Sorting Clerks and Telegraphists, aged respectively 30 and 29, as the two whom he would next select.

In view of the large number of applications received, and the difficulty of making a selection from candidates of almost equal qualifications, he has not been able to make a recommendation.

PUBLIC RECORDS OFFICE, LONDON

recommendation at an earlier date.

Each of the Officers appointed will be "seconded" for a period of three years.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

Matthew T. ...

No 228
16277

6 June 1900

Immediate
In

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The Secretary
No 0

I am sorry to hear the
receipt of your letter to
regards of the report of
concerning the account
of the present
Postal Clerks, I regret
at Nairobi, East Africa

Order 172

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- Mr. 228 4/6
- Mr. Bates 4/5
- Mr. Reeves
- Mr. Just
- Mr. Cox
- Sir O. Lucas
- Sir F. Hopwood
- Col. Seely
- Lord Cromer
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Signed H. BERTRAMSON

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