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(Signed)

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Last previous Paper

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Mr. Ab. Bush

By Decentred Corp. mounted

Recommends his offer to permanent staff
 till salary at £100 - £210 per month. Papers
 to let by June next. Name Macnaghten & Steedman.
 & looks best to permanent corp. Staff of proposals offered

(Minutes.)

Mr. Read.

I am not clear how far this draft is intended to
 be a reply to 38.104/07. The Govt. and Mr. Matis both
 refer to permanent appointments only. I gather from
 the Estimates that the Ass't. Directorship of P. H. is
 the only one of the posts cited by Mr. Matis which is
 at present pensionable.

At present this draft can be further considered when
 we receive the Govt.'s general reply to the Govt.'s
 question for a general list of offices which he considers
 should be made pensionable. At present the cases of
 Messrs Steedman and Macnaghten are pressing. I submit
 draft to Treasury in their case, and draft tel. of re-
 minder to the Govt.

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Governor's Office,

Mombasa,

June 26th 1908.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 309.

(Incl. 1).

My Lord,

C.O.

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Recd.

18 JUL 08

I have the honour to submit a copy of a letter from the Commissioner of Public Works recommending that Mr. A. D. Bush, Acting Executive Engineer, Mombasa, may be now appointed to permanent service of the Public Works Department as Assistant Engineer at a salary of £100 with effect from 1st April 1905.

I commend this application to Your Lordship's favourable consideration.

In paragraph 3 of his letter of 19th June which will now be the permanent establishment of Executive and Assistant Engineers.

In my telegram of June 19th I recommended the permanent appointment of Messrs. Macnaghten and Stephen as Assistant Engineers. This dispenses of the matter to be in paragraph 3 of Your Lordship's No. 308 of 1908 so far as the Public Works Department is concerned.

I have the honour to be,

With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

LONDON, S.W.

H. A. G. A. S.

Principal Secretary of State

Governor's Office,

Mombasa,

June 25th 1908.

AFRICA EQUITY CORPORATION

No. 309

(Encl. 1.)

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My Lord,

18 JUL 08

I have the honour to submit a copy of a letter from the Commissioner of Public Works recommending that Mr. A. M. Watt, Acting Executive Engineer Mombasa, may be now appointed to permanent staff of the Public Works Department as Assistant Engineer at a salary of £500 with effect from 21st April 1908.

2. I commend this application to Your Lordship's favourable consideration.

3. In paragraph 3 of his letter Mr. Watts notes what will now be the permanent establishment of Executive and Assistant Engineers.

4. In my telegram of June 19th I recommended the permanent appointment of Messrs. Macnaghten and Stedman as Assistant Engineers. This disposes of the matter [redacted] paragraph 3 of Your Lordship's No. 603 of the Public Works Department is concerned.

I have the honour to be,
With the greatest respect,

Your obedient Servt.

Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies

Downing Street,

LONDON, S.W.

H. H. Asquith

In Despatch No. 509 of June 26th.

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Commissioner's Office, P.W.D.
Nairobi, June 27th, 1903.

No. 27/18.

the Secretary,
to the Administration,
East Africa Protectorate.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward an application from Mr. A.G. Bush Acting Executive Engineer Mombasa for reengagement on the permanent Staff of the P.W.D. in this Protectorate, and notifying that his three year's agreement expired on the 21/5/03.

I support Mr. Bush's application and recommend that he may be made a permanent Assistant Engineer with effect from 31/5/03 on a salary of £300 a year.

Mr. Bush is a very hard working officer who did good service in building reinforced concrete bridges on the Fort Hall Road before he went upland. At the time reinforced concrete construction was a novel in this Protectorate, and required constant supervision so that it might be a success. It therefore threw onerous duties on Mr. Bush.

Since his return from leave he first of all carried out careful measurements of the flow

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flow of water in the Tsavo River, and of late he has been acting as Executive Engineer of the Mombasa Division to my satisfaction.

To give an instance of his capacity for work I may mention that the other day he got up twice running at 4.30 A.M. collected his tools, and in two days he completed the expanded metal concrete for the flooring of the upper storey of the Native Hospital. I meant that the floor was much better laid than if the work had been protracted over a longer period.

Should Mr Bush be made a permanent Assistant Engineer I shall then I hope have the following permanent Engineers in the P.W.D.:-

Mr Macnaughten, Post, Director of Public Works.

Mr. W. H. Tanner, Asst Eng. - 101 -

Executive Engineers.

Mr. Crammell, Permanent Asst Engineer.

Mr. Bush

Mr. Macnaughten, Recommended for permanent post
Mr. Stedman, as Asst Engineers.

As regards further recommendations I do not propose to send in any more names of P.W.D. Engineers for purposes of being placed on the permanent Staff for some time to come.

I have the honour to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

Sd/ G.K.Watts.

Commissioner of Public Works