

EAST AFR. PROT.

No. 37600

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(Subject.)

1908

Sept 22

and previous Paper.

Appl. of Bank & Factory Inspector

Reports occurrence of a number of accidents at factory appl.  
 of the C. M. & G. L. The two appls. & measures to be pursued  
 appl. Saps are being taken to introduce factory legislation

(Minute)

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Governor's Office,

Nairobi,

September 21st 1908.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

CONFIDENTIAL (101)

(Incl. 2)

37600

My Lord,

15 08

*For 2/10/08*

I have the honour to invite a reference to my despatch No. 461 of 11th September in which I asked for sanction to provision being made for a Boiler and Factory Inspector in the Estimates for 1909-10.

2. Since that despatch was written it has been reported that a number of accidents have occurred to natives which have proved fatal in more than one case; I enclose a report from the Assistant for Native Affairs.

3. As I consider it most important that immediate steps should be taken to prevent a recurrence of such fatalities, I have, subject to Your Lordship's sanction, appointed Mr. C. Hirtzel, temporarily, as Boiler and Factory Inspector at a salary of £350 per annum and £60 House Allowance. Mr. Hirtzel, who has severed his connection with the Electric Lighting Company, has been given to understand that his appointment is entirely subject to Your Lordship's approval. I trust that under the circumstances my action will meet with Your Lordship's approval.

H. W. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

FOR THE COLONIES.

DOWNING STREET,

R.

LONDON, S.W.

*For 2/10/08*

CECIL BARRETT  
Sept. 12th

Mr. Hirtzel's  
application

4. Steps are being taken to introduce Factory Legislation on the lines of the Indian Factory Act.

5. In this connection I have the honour to transmit a form of application duly filled in by Mr. Hirtzel, together with testimonials in original and in duplicate, and to recommend his name for Your Lordship's favourable consideration in the event of Your Lordship's approval being given to the necessary provision being inserted in next year's Estimates. I consider him to be well qualified for the post.

6. Mr. Hirtzel asks that his original testimonials may be returned.

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

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,  
humble servant,



# Application for Colonial Employment.

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Form to be filled up by the Applicant himself, and returned to the Private Secretary to the Secretary of State, Colonial Office, London.

Date of Application	17 <sup>th</sup> Sept 1908	INCLOSURE No 2 In Despatch of 10 <sup>th</sup> of Sept 22 1908
Profession or Occupation	Electrical & Mechanical Engineer Nairobi British East Africa	37600
Applicant's Name	George Herbert	
Profession or Occupation	Solicitor (retired)	
Address	Deodar & Lector (Lat. East Africa)	
Date of birth	10 <sup>th</sup> of April 1879	Age last birthday 29
Place of birth	East Africa	
Single, married, or a widower	Married	
Number of children	Aged respectively	
one Daughter	18 months	
Education	Private until 1891 Valley College, Ipswich, Devon, 1891 to 1893 Attended lectures Danish Polytechnicum, Copenhagen 1893 to 1894 Upwards attended lectures Smolensky College London	
Personal qualifications (if any), and date at which was obtained	Associate Member Institute Electrical Engineers (Electrical) Mechanical Engineers	
Employment from which you are now absent, and the dates when you held each position, and the cause of leaving, and what you are now doing	After having served my time with Messrs Bann & Partners, also Partners I joined the staff of Messrs K. W. Sturtevant & Co. as a solicitor in Ipswich & London business on the falling of the firm - Resigned in consequence, returning to East Africa, Victoria, East Africa, and East Africa, and of my former firm, I left to return my partner with Messrs K. W. Sturtevant & Co. for whom I carried out the following work East Ham Tramway, lighting, Mill of West Light (Ipswich) Ilchester Tramway, Spar Valley Light Railway, other work to East Africa on private business and afterwards came to East Africa & obtained a Commission for fighting a Power in the East I started a Company to carry it out it has now been running for some months	
Appointment desired	Wish to be in Government Service, East Africa for paper but particular as to appointment but understand combined function of Board of Trade & factory inspector allowed for in my estimate & have been recommended to apply for the post	

(J. 6.)

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References

Give the name, address, and occupation of the writer of each of your testimonials. Not more than six should be submitted. The originals must be sent for inspection, but they will be returned if they contain information and copies are with them forwarded to the Colonial Office. Copies may be either in MS. or in printed and if desirable, though absolutely necessary, they should be on foolscap paper not larger than this form.

1. Name *Sir Alfred Jones K.C.M.G.*  
 Address *London & Liverpool*  
 Occupation *Ship Owner*

2. Name *F. L. Herzig Eng. (Consultant)*  
 Address *Private Secretary Secretary of State for India*  
 Occupation *India Office*

Testimonials

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Testimonial from *John H. Rider Esq. M.I.E.E. M.I.E.S.*  
*Chief Engineer London County Council*  
*Oct. 5, 1901.*

To Messrs Price & Co. Ltd.

Dear Sirs

Mr Herzig is an applicant for the position of Assistant to the Director of Public Works at Jamaica the appointment being I understand in your hands & he has asked me to testify to his qualifications thus I have much pleasure in doing so.

I have known Mr Herzig for nearly 3 years, he having done a considerable amount of work for me in Plymouth.

In enquiring perseverance, ability to handle men & all other electrical knowledge he would be hard to beat & I have no doubt confidence in recommending him for the Post he is now applying for.

Yours faithfully  
*John H. Rider*  
 Chief Electrical Engineer

Original in possession of Consulting Engineer to Government

Testimonial from *W. C. Ullmann Esq. Engineer & Manager*  
*London & Liverpool Tramways & London E.C.*  
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Dear Mr Herzig  
 It gives me much pleasure in stating that during the construction & equipment of the East Ham Council's Electric Tramways by Messrs Dick, Kerr & Co. Ltd. the whole of the work which came under your supervision viz: Overhead line & equipment of Industrial Equipment of Cars & Power house, including lighting of same has been carried out in a most satisfactory manner. The line has now been running for three months without the slightest hitch, thus proving the efficient & capable manner in which your work has been done. Wishing you every success,

I remain,  
 yours truly  
 (Signed) *W. C. Ullmann*  
 Engineer & Manager.

Testimonial from *Chief Electrical Engineer, Great Northern Railway Co. (Ireland)*

Dear Mr Herzig

I have much pleasure in stating that the work you have carried out for the above Company in connection with the Sutton & North Electric Tramway has given every satisfaction & testifies to your ability as Engineer in Charge on behalf of the Contractors.

The line has been opened to Public traffic since the 1st of June 1901. 30,000 Car Miles having been run, without the slightest hitch occurring through defects in any of your work, which ranks among the best I have seen during a considerable experience.

With the training you have had I believe you to be fully qualified for the Post you are applying for & trust you may deal with every success.

Believe me, yours faithfully  
 (Signed) *Arthur W. Whistler*  
 Electrical Engineer.

Testimonial from B. P. A. Fibre & Industrial Co. Ltd. Trossing  
June 17<sup>th</sup> 08

Clement H. H. Esq.  
Dear Sir

We are glad to have this opportunity of  
to your ability as an Engineer.

We first consulted you on the 21<sup>st</sup> March last and  
that time we have uninterruptedly retained your services  
only in planning out but in superintending the erection of  
Plant That plant consists of -

- 2 oil engines (by different makers)
- 2 Decorticating machines
- 1 Raspador
- 1 Fly wheel, Press etc. etc

and we feel quite satisfied that everything you have done  
for us bears the stamp of an experienced & resourceful  
but we think the fact of our retaining your services as  
Consulting Engineer speaks more of our opinion of you  
than mere words

Yours faithfully  
for the B. P. A. Fibre & Industrial Co Ltd  
Signed { Cullis Kelly (manager)  
          { W. G. Cunliffe (secretary)

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No. 24/a

Labour Office,  
Nairobi,  
September 12th 1908.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith the pro-  
ceedings of an enquiry I held at Masongoleni on the  
death of one Nguvu Kali. In this case it is evident  
that the deceased met his death through, contrary  
to orders, wearing a gummy bag, which, catching in  
the machinery, dragged his head beneath the beater  
wheel.

In addition to the fatal accident another  
employee a short while ago had the fingers of one  
hand partially severed by the machinery.

Several native employees of the American Fibre  
Company have also recently been killed at Voi by  
falling from the trolleys used by this Company.  
There is no doubt that accidents of this sort will  
go on occurring unless the Government appoint an  
Inspector to look after the various Mills and Facto-  
ries in the Protectorate.

Needless to say that accidents of the sort  
mentioned above will evidently have a very bad  
effect on the labour supply.

I would request that this letter may be forward-  
ed to the Secretary for Native Affairs for his  
information.

I have Ac.  
Sd/- W.E.H. Barrett  
Asst., Native Affairs.

The Prov. Commissioner,  
Nairobi.