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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR
THE COLONIES, PARLIAMENT
HOUSE, WHITE HALL, LONDON,
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21st September, 1902.

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Sir,

With reference to the new steamer "Clement Hill" now being constructed for the Uganda Railway by Messrs Bow McLachlan & Company, I have the honour to enclose for the information of Mr. Secretary Lyttelton a copy of a letter with its enclosures which we have received from the Consulting Engineers relative to engaging a competent Engineer to be sent to Uganda to supervise the re-erection of the steamer at the Lake.

2. We shall be glad to receive the Secretary of State's instructions as to what action to take.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

W. A. Mackinnon

Secretary of State,
Colonial Office.

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should be...
steamer on the 1st...
Mr. Richard Grant, who...
steers last sent out, with a summary of his history and training,
copies of his testimonials, and a statement of...
and how long for.

In consequence of these testimonials and private advices
from those in Uganda who are best able to form an opinion about him,
and in the expectation that he would be sent out to erect the boat,
Mr. Grant has been employed on our staff since the commencement of
the work upon it in the capacity of Inspector. We have found him
steady and energetic, and an excellent engineer, so that with his
former experience in Uganda, we do not think you could find a better
man for the present duty. It may also turn out that the Authorities
in Uganda will desire to employ him for the working and maintenance
of their whole flotilla and the terms of an engagement with him
will provide for this contingency. He is fitted in every
way for the duties of the office of the Inspector.

You will note that his pay...
of the vessels sent out...
20 "in lieu of food".
at 20 a month or pay 200...
temporary...
after his pay...
At the new steamer...
needs...

Presumably if I were to be included as part of
salary & c. I think this is also
the wish of the authorities on
U.R. as no one else has received
an allowance.

- (2) If possible I should like an in-
crease of salary of say £5 per
month as I have had no increase
since the beginning of 1900, but
this must be for the authorities
to decide.

Thanking you for your
trouble with the matter

Yours truly

Richard Jantzen

500 Bath Street,

GLASGOW.

7th September 1906.

To - Messrs

Sir A.M. Randel & Robertson,
 8 Great George Street,
 Westminster,
 London.

Gentlemen,

As the new steamer "Clement Hill" for the Uganda Railway is now well advanced, and as I am desirous, if possible, of returning to Uganda, it has occurred to me that possibly my services might be required in connection with her re-erection in that country.

I should therefore be greatly indebted to you if you would put the matter before the authorities in the Colonial Office for their consideration.

As I think you are aware, I superintended the re-erection of the steamers "Sir William Mackinnon", "Winifred", and "Sybil", besides many lighters and smaller crafts for the Uganda Railway; indeed I may say that I have been continuously in their service since early in 1898 with two intervals, during which I was employed in this country upon inspection work connected with the building of new steamers for the Uganda Railway.

I enclose summary of training and experience, also testimonials in my favour, and shall be greatly obliged if you can further my wishes.

Yours truly,

Richard Grant

Albany and Partick Academies; Glasgow, London, and
and West of Scotland Technical College.

Comprehensive training in Chemistry (laboratory
and lectures four sessions), and all engineering subjects
seven sessions. Hold First-Class Passes (Advanced stages)
in most of latter subjects from Science and Art Depart-
ment South Kensington as also was awarded a Queen's Prize.

Training.

Served an apprenticeship of five years as an Engineer and
Millerwright in the Pattern Shop, Fitting and erecting shops,
and Draying Office with the late firm of Turnbull, Grant
& Co. Ltd. Glasgow; thereafter working for eight years as
senior and leading draughtsman with undernoted firms viz:-
Turnbull Grant & Co. Ltd. Engineers. Glasgow.

W. & A. Tait & Watson Ltd. do. do.

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In the year 1911, I was appointed as the manager
of the Glasgow branch of the Glasgow & West of Scotland
Technical College, Glasgow.

On the 1st of January 1912, I was appointed as the manager
of the Glasgow branch of the Glasgow & West of Scotland
Technical College, Glasgow.

On the 1st of January 1913, I was appointed as the manager
of the Glasgow branch of the Glasgow & West of Scotland
Technical College, Glasgow.

On the 1st of January 1914, I was appointed as the manager
of the Glasgow branch of the Glasgow & West of Scotland
Technical College, Glasgow.

On the 1st of January 1915, I was appointed as the manager
of the Glasgow branch of the Glasgow & West of Scotland
Technical College, Glasgow.

Testimonial received from:-

H.A.F. CURRIE, Esq.,
Manager, Uganda Railway,
British East Africa.

Mr. R. GRANT, having completed the work on which he has been employed on this Railway, is now leaving for England. I have much pleasure in giving him this record of his services in East Africa.

Mr. GRANT first left England in February 1896 and on his arrival in East Africa was employed for one year in charge of the Traction Engines at rail head. He was then placed in charge of the transport to Lake Victoria and re-erection at Kisumu of the S.S. "Sir William Mackinnon".

On completion of this work in 1901 he was re-engaged for the inspection and erection of the two 700 tons S.S. "Winifred" and "Sybil".

Whilst these vessels were under construction in England Mr. GRANT acted as Inspector under Sir E.J. REED. Returning to East Africa in February 1902 he fitted up the Workshops and launching berths at Port Florence and subsequently was in entire charge of the erection of the 2 twin screw steamers "Winifred" and "Sybil" each of 700 tons displacement and 500 H.P.

In addition to this Mr. GRANT re-erected five 100 ton iron lighters for the lake, laid down pumps, boilers, tanks, pipes, etc. for Port Florence water supply and superintended the running of the steamers for 15 months. Finally he gave a complete overhaul to the steamers "Kampala" and "Sir William Mackinnon."

In every capacity in which Mr. GRANT has been employed he has proved himself a most capable and experienced engineer.

He now leaves this railway only because he has completed the work on which he was employed and there is at present no suitable vacancy on our staff for him.

(Signed)

H.A.F. CURRIE,
Manager, Uganda Railway.

Manager's Office,
 Uganda Railway.
 NAIROBI, 19th April, 1904.

HOUSE, Esq., W.I.C.E.
& Chief Engineer,
Uganda Railway.

Mr. Grant has been employed on this railway since he came out from England in June 1898, being engaged for the erection of the steamer "William Mackinnon" on Lake Victoria Nyanza.

As great difficulties were experienced in carrying the vessel up to the Lake, Mr. GRANT was for 9 months employed in charge of the Railway traction engines working beyond railhead, and the work they did while he was in charge of them was most satisfactory. When the work of carrying the steamer up country was nearly completed Mr. GRANT went to the Lake in charge of the erection and he successfully launched her and carried out the work both to my satisfaction and of the Uganda Protectorate to whom she was handed over when

of a particularly trying character, carried out 300 miles beyond railhead and without the use of the usual tools and materials that are generally to be met with. I consider that the successful launch of this vessel, the first of its kind, reflects the greatest credit on the skill and perseverance of Mr. Grant in carrying out this work.

(Signed) G. WHITEHOUSE,
Manager & Chief Engineer,
Uganda Railway.

Consulting Naval Architect,

WESTMINSTER.
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At his request I have pleasure in stating that Mr. Richard Grant who was placed temporarily under my instructions and control during part of the period in which the Lake Victoria steamers "Winifred" and "Sybil" were under construction at the Yard of Messrs. Gow, McLachlan & Co., at Paisley carried out his duties to my entire satisfaction.

I had little opportunity of becoming personally acquainted with Mr. Grant, but the reports of my resident inspecting officer showed that he was punctual in his attendance, and painstaking and successful in his work.

(Signed) E. J. REED.

Testimonial received from

JOHN TURNBULL, JOHN TURNER, M.I.M.E.,
Consulting Engineer.

GLASGOW,

28th. December, 1891.

This is to certify that I have known the bearer, Mr.
RICHARD GRANT for many years, and during the time as a diligent
and pushing Engineer.

He served his apprenticeship at the Canal Basin
Foundry, and during the last three years immediately under my
control. He has been 2½ years in the Patternshop, 1½ years
in the Fitting Shop and about 2½ in the Drawing Office.

I have much pleasure in recommending his services to
those requiring such.

(Signed) JOHN TURNBULL, JOHN TURNER.

Office of the Secretary

Washington, D.C.

1902

Reference is made to the report of Mr. NICHOLAS GRANT, a student
of the Classes in connection with the Science and Art Department
at and the City and Guilds of London during the year 1901-02
and it is noted that he has gone.

I found Mr. GRANT a willing and careful student, and from the successes he obtained in his various examinations by the Departments already named in subjects "Machine Construction", "Theoretical" and "Applied Mechanics", "Electricity" and "Mechanical Engineering", all in one year and in Advanced steps, he proved the efficiency of his knowledge of the Technical part of his education.

In conjunction with this the thorough practical training he had in the Canal Basin Foundry should well fit him for a good position in the Engineering profession.

(Signed) JOHN W. BARRY,

Secretary

Testimonial received from:-

MESSRS. TURNELL, GRANT, & Co., Ltd.

Canal Basin Foundry,

GLASGOW, 30th. Decr. 1891.

We certify that Mr. RICHARD GRANT served an apprenticeship of five years, from October, 1886 to October, 1890, in our Works as an Engineer and Millwright.

During that period he worked the usual time in the various Departments, viz:- Patternshops, Fitting and Erecting Shop and Drawing Office.

Since the close of his apprenticeship he has been engaged in our Drawing Office and for some time has been one of our principal Draughtsmen.

He is an able Engineer, possesses a thorough technical education, and during his service here, has acquired an extensive and practical knowledge of his profession.

He is steady and industrious and we may add has a good knowledge of Machinery and has been very useful to us in various ways.

Yours faithfully,
TURNELL, GRANT & Co., LTD.,

(Signed)

W. PATRICK,

Secretary.

Testimonial received from:-

ALEXANDER F. MARSHALL, ESC.,
Chief Draughtsman to The Glasgow Railway
Engineering Co., Ltd.

Helen Street,

GOVAN,

2nd. Feby. 1892.

I have much pleasure in certifying that Mr. RICHARD GRANT served for three years in the Drawing Office of Messrs. Turnbull, Grant & Co., Ltd., Canal Basin Foundry, Glasgow - two years of this time being under my charge.

He gave me every satisfaction as regards conduct and the manner in which he did his work, proving himself to be an efficient Draughtsman.

I have a very good opinion of his character and ability and am confident of his future success.

(Signed) ALEX. F. MARSHALL,

Late Chief Draughtsman,
Canal Basin Foundry.

Testimonial received from:-

DANIEL KEMP, Esq'. F.R.T. Soc.
Chief Draughtsman to Messrs. BOY, McLEACHLAN & CO.
Thistle Works, PAISLEY.

PAISLEY, 14th. March 1898.

The Bearer, MR. RICHARD GRANT, has been in our employment for the past 3 1/2 years as a Draughtsman during which time he has designed some very important work, both for Land and Marine purposes to our entire satisfaction. He is very steady and painstaking and we have no hesitation in recommending him as a thoroughly good Draughtsman.

He leaves to fill a more important post.

Further information be required regarding him, we are very pleased

Yours faithfully,

DR. BOY, McLEACHLAN & CO.,

(Signed) DANIEL KEMP.

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Pir June 14 October 05

I have the honor to
ack the receipt of the
drafts of the numbers &
dates noted in the
margin on the subject
of the engagement of
Mrs Richard Grant
to accept the "Chambers
Hall" & of the selection
of Engineers for service
on that vessel, and to
transmit to you for
your info. the accompanying
copy of a letter which
I have caused to be
addressed to the
C. A. & the members

MINUTE.

Mr. Ellis 2/10/05

Mr. Andrews.

Mr. Cox.

Mr. Lucas.

Mr. Graham.

Sir M. Ommamney.

The Duke of Marlborough.

Mr. Lyttelton.

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Mr. Jackson to P.P. No 421 29/1/04

Mr. Jackson to P.P. No 408 13/1/04

P.O. to C.A. & C.A.