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District Commissionership

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Previous Paper

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... proposed appl of Capt Dansey
... Capt Jorgensen

W. Thomas
W. Fiddes

Please ...

H.A.B

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I take it that there can be no definite
"promotion" in the ordinary sense of that
if the proposal in Mr Butler's memo is approved
it means offering a three years' appointment
to Capt Dansey (or Capt Jorgensen if feasible) with
a possibility of confirmation. The straight
he gives Mr Butler takes H.A.B.

Sir I ... I am in ...

Done (name) ...
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Mr 2074

To Dansey & Co on file 1867
Tel to City 17th ...

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Subsequent Paper

W. Harris
with files

I had in mind the offer of a permanent appt. for the with the staff ~~the~~ E.A.P. is so large as to make it certain that other vacancies will occur at no long intervals, so we can safeguard the position by requiring that a vacancy for a District Commr. occurring within a year of the date at which Mr. Maclean would be due to return to the Dept. shall be kept open for him. There is always a distinct possibility that permanent employment in connexion with land titles may open up for him.

Yours

W. Harris

Oct. 3.

agree. If the Dept. foresee no difficulties in connection with the possible reabsorption of Mr. Maclean, the Pat. Branch need not raise any objection.
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Mr. Harris,
Mr. Fiddes,

On Governor/2760 we have approved of Mr. A. J. Maclean, a District Commissioner in the East Africa Protectorate, drawing £400 a year, being seconded for employment as a Recorder of Titles in the Protectorate for a period of three years and of his place in the administrative staff being filled in the mean time. The trust, of course, to being able to make arrangements to reabsorb him if he gives up the appointment at the end of the three years and wants to return to his administrative duties.

This is a ^{piece} ~~matter~~ of promotion which could not have been looked for in the ordinary course by the administrative staff of the Protectorate, and I think the opportunity should be taken to dispose of one of the two retrenched Somaliland officials whose cases are still outstanding.

Captain Dansey (File 1867) was drawing £500 a year as a political officer in Somaliland when he was retrenched. It has not yet been found possible to offer him any other employment. He is known as a capable officer, ~~but~~ ^{he} was drawing a comparatively high salary and it is known that he would not accept an Assistant District Commissionership or an post of that sort of the ^{lowest} ~~lowest~~ grade of a political department. All that we have been able to do for him so far is to get him a small pension of £75 a year. He is very sore and/or unable to find him further employment, and there will be ~~great~~ ^{real} difficulty with him if we are entirely unable to do so.

I think, therefore, that he should have the first refusal of this vacancy. The loss of salary of £100 a year must be set against the wider opportunities given by appointment to the staff of so large a Protectorate as the East Africa Protectorate. Even if he refuses we shall be in a much better position with regard to him than if we had made him no offer at all.

If he does refuse, I think the appointment might be offered to Captain C. E. Jorgensen, who was drawing £400 a year as an assistant political officer in Somaliland when he was retrenched. He has received an appointment in ordinary of Southern Nigeria at the same salary on the ground that he cannot consent to do so even at that salary. On the bottom of a long list of assistant District Commissioners, he is an able officer, and it would be a pity to lose him from the service on the grounds involved if he were no longer employed.

If this idea is accepted, the first step to take is to telegraph the Governor of the East Africa Protectorate that it is proposed to fill the vacant vacancy in the administrative staff by the appointment as a District Commissioner of a retrenched Somaliland officer of standing and experience, and say that he should hold out no hopes of local promotion to his vacancy. Sir P. Burrell will no doubt desire to keep the place for one of his own staff, but I think that our obligations towards these retrenched officers must override his wishes in this case.

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which have made the Secretary of State decide not to let
the proposition go locally.

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