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Vacancies for Customs Assistant

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Custom House, London,

12th July, 1906.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Customs to
acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Antrebus's letter of
the 27th ultimo, No. 21399/06, and to forward, for
the information of the Secretary of State for the
Colonies, a copy of the circular, inviting application
for the post of Customs Assistant in the British
East Africa Protectorate, as issued,

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

Under Secretary of State,
&c., &c., &c.,
Colonial Office.

11th July 1906

The Board having received a communication from the Colonial Office requesting them to recommend an Officer for service as Customs Assistant in the British East Africa Protectorate, I wish to direct to report to the Board as early as possible, the names of any Examining Officers or Assistants between the ages of 25 and 30 in your Port or District who, in your opinion, are qualified for, and desirous of, such appointments. The applications of the Officers themselves should be transmitted with your report.

It is important that you should be satisfied that the general constitution of all Officers, whose names are submitted as Candidates is strong enough to fit them for life in a tropical country, - as which they will have to satisfy the medical adviser of the Colonial Office. The Candidates must be of unexceptionable character and strictly sober habits.

The Customs Department of the Protectorate is organised as follows :-

- 1 Chief of Customs, Salary £700 per annum.
- 1 Assistant Chief of Customs, Salary £300 rising by £10 per annum to £400 per annum.
- 2 Assistants, Salary £250 rising by £10 per annum to £300 per annum.

It is proposed that the Officer chosen should be engaged in the first instance on a three years' agreement, but that after a year's service in the Protectorate he should be allowed, if he so desired, and if his work had been satisfactory, to join the permanent staff of the Protectorate.

Pensions and gratuities are granted to Officers of the British East Africa Protectorate on principles analogous to those in force in the Home Civil Service, and subject to the same limitations. But section 3 of 39 and 40 Victoria Cap. 53, has been applied to the Protectorate, so that two years' service therein is reckoned for pension as service for three years, and so on in like proportion.

The Officer selected for service in the Protectorate will be allowed a first class passage out. He will also receive an Outfit allowance of £50, but it will be necessary for him to refund this amount by instalments, should he after a year's service or later, re-join the permanent staff of the Protectorate. He will not be required to vacate his position in the Home Service on selection, but will receive full allowance for the necessary period. During this period, the Officer will be seconded in the Home Customs Department, but his seniority will accrue, and he will retain his right of seniority, whether, at the end of the three years' agreement, or sooner, he is appointed to the Colonial Service, or he must definitely re-join the Home Service. In the event of his re-joining the Home Service, a first class passage home would be granted and leave of absence granted at the rate of two months per annum commencing from the date of departure from Mombasa at the expiration of which he would be re-employed in the Home Customs.

Should the selected Officer return to the Home Customs at the expiration of three years (or sooner for health or other reasons) the expense for that period will be borne on the funds of the Protectorate.

In the event of the Board deeming any Candidate fit for the Service in question, they will communicate with the Secretary of State for the Colonies accordingly, and any Officer selected for appointment will be expected to hold himself in readiness to leave this country as soon as possible.

I am,

Sir,
Your obedient Servant,
