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Tobacco Expert

Impossible to obtain suitable candidate at salary of £500. Ponderate question of offering appl. to Mr. H. Wearing - £700 pa plus expenses from Texas to E. Africa

Hi Reed

In these circumstances, I think that we had better send a copy of this letter to the firm and ask him if he would wish us to approach his insurance broker a view to obtaining their sanction to the higher salary here proposed

[It is possible that Sir I. J. may not think the Government worth the money]

has inform the Director accordingly. Better send a shot tel. to the firm at once. H. J. R. 6/11

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Date

3 July

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be up in town for a night or
two at the end of the month.

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I hope you enjoyed your
 This last weather is
 yours sincerely
 W. Thomson

Can you tell me if the Scrutator of Providence has
 meant to follow the same course? The case against him has
 been filled up yet? I have been in no way so lately
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Yours sincerely

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IMPERIAL INSTITUTE
OF THE
UNITED KINGDOM, THE COLONIES AND INDIA

SOUTH KENSINGTON, LONDON, S.W.

3 July, 1911.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 15436/1911 dated the 16th June 1911 regarding the appointment of a tobacco expert in the East Africa Protectorate, I beg to inform you that I have communicated with the Departments of Agriculture in the United States of America and in Java, and also with tobacco planters in these countries, with a view to finding a suitable candidate for the post.

I have been in correspondence with two experts recommended to me by the United States Department of Agriculture. One of these, Mr. Woosley, referred to in my letter No. 12441/1911 of the 27th March last, declined the appointment on the ground of health, whilst the other, a tobacco specialist in Texas, has just informed me that the salary of £500 per annum is not sufficient to induce him to apply for the post, and that he has been unable to find anyone, possessing the requisite knowledge and experience, who would be willing to accept it. He has, however, received a proposition from a Mr. Henry Weintug,

who

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.

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who was for several years an assistant tobacco expert in the Bureau of Soils, United States Department of Agriculture, and who since leaving the Government Service has been Texas Manager for a Chicago tobacco firm. Mr. Weintag, who is a college graduate and possesses the qualifications necessary to carry out successfully the investigations which are contemplated, will accept the post for £700 per annum and his expenses from Texas to East Africa.

I am assured that it will not be possible to obtain a man possessing suitable qualifications from the United States at a salary of £500 a year, as tobacco experts with the experience required receive salaries from 2,000 to 6,000 dollars a year at home.

The enquiries I have made in Java have been unsuccessful. The Department of Agriculture was not able to recommend a suitable expert and another correspondent there states that he has made considerable effort to find a candidate for the post, but in this case also the salary offered was too small to attract men possessing the required qualifications.

Under these circumstances I shall be glad to learn your views regarding the offer of Mr. Weintag referred to above.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Wm. St. John R. Davidson

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12 July 1911

The Director
Imperial Institute

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Dear Sir

Sir

I am etc to ask the
result of your letter
no. 2448/1911 of the 3rd of July
in which you state that it
is impossible to obtain a
suitable candidate for the post
of Tobacco Inspector in the East
at a salary of £500 p.a.,
and submit the question
of offering the appointment
to Mr. W. W. W. at a
salary of £700 p.a. plus
his expenses from India
to East Africa

I am etc

inform you that the
substance of your letter
has been discussed to the
Gov^r of the Dal, and that
he has been asked whether
in these cases, he desires
the Masany to be approached
with a view to obtaining
their sanction to his
higher Salary

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