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APPLICATION APPOINTMENT AS SURVIVOR

1914

10th October

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Sends copies of testimonials.

*The undersigned has been
informed that Mr. [Name]
always served today.*

*Mr. [Name]'s name is listed
in the Army list at an early
stage of the war - he had just
joined up before we got there.*

*Yours
[Signature]*

*10th 16
[Signature]*

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NEW ZEALAND.

29th Oct. 1914.

Honorable,
The Under Secretary for State.

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Sir,

In reply to paper
20 received from the Director of Surveys,
Nairobi, East Africa,
I herewith beg to forward copies of my
communications.

The enclosed letters of reference are all
well known New Zealand gentlemen
who occupy the highest positions in
our profession.
Unfortunately Mr J. H. Thomson, District
Surveyor - of Hamilton, N.Z. under whom I
served as Survey Cadet for two years,
is at present in England, on leave, and
am therefore unable to obtain a letter
from him. From latest advices received,
Mr Thomson had joined the Colonial
Reserve Forces, and is now doing military
duty in England.

I enclose, however, a letter received from the N.S. Surveyors Board referring to my Cadetship with Mr. Monson

After serving with Mr. J.E. Fulhous for one year as Assistant Engineer I left N.S. to take up a position as Govt. Surveyor to the British North Borneo Chartered Co. completing a three years contract with them.

The enclosed letter from Mr. Carkeek refers to ~~the~~ subdivisions which I carried out for him this year under the strict terms of the N.S. Govt. All field work, computations and plans were done by myself.

My work in B.N. Borneo ranged from the survey of small totori sections to 5000 acre Estates. Frequently I had occasion to be in jungle camps for 3 or 4 months at a time. The Chief Surveyor of B.N. Borneo Mr. E. A. Powell is a member of the N.S. Surveyors Institute under whom all my work there was carried out.

I give a synopsis showing terms
of my apprenticeship etc.

1906 - 1908 2 years under J. P. Hill Esq. Const.
1908 - 1909 1 year under H. Thomson Esq. Const.
1909 - Oct 1910 1 year under H. Fulton Esq. Archt. Eng.
Dec 1910 - Dec 1913 3 years Port Surveyor B. N. Barnes

At present I am engaged as Engineer
locating & setting out Railroads for a
Private Co. undertaking all necessary
survey and drawings.

In office I am considered a good
brought man, and am thoroughly
acquainted with all field procedures
and most part of maintenance etc.

During the year I took a course
in Railroad Engineering under the
International Correspondence Schools, chiefly
to study their methods and their
superintendent in London is able to
advise you as to any passing their
Mathematical section in a short term.

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Personal references - My father
Colonel Fearless is now serving with
the New Zealand Exped. Force in
Europe? Africa? Canterbury Infantry
Battalion (Graduate of St Bartholomew's Hosp.)
In England the address of my uncle
is
J. Fearless Esq
Sackville Cottage
East Amsted

I should expect approval of my application
I shall endeavour to carry out all work
entrusted to me, thoroughly and
economically

If the African Survey Regulations are
suitable I should be glad to sit for
the Licentiate Surgeon Examination at
an early date after taking up my
duties

In regard to the conditions of letter
no 320 no mention has been made
as to providing instruments. I would
require to be notified as to whether
to bring my own or not

In the event of my being
accepted for the position now
applied for, I should be grateful
for advice per cable - so that I
could arrange my private matters
pending arrival of a letter of
instruction

I am, Sir,

Yours obediently

N. Linch Pearson

References enclosed from

J. P. S. Hill Esq. M. A. C. E. M.

M. Carkeek Esq. M. A. C. E. M.

The Secretary B. N. Basma Post
N. S. Suburban Exam Board

J. Milner Esq. Rector Waitake High School

Snapshots of self in camp (Sunday)
in Pukoh North Borneo

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J. E. FULTON,
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I.M. NZ Inst. Surveyors,
CIVIL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEER
TELEPHONE 1111

Royal Exchange Building,
Wellington, New Zealand.

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29th Sept., 1914.

Mr. R. Lessal Pearlson, Surveyor, now residing near Otago, New Zealand, has asked me for a testimonial that may help him in getting employment in Foreign Service.

I have much pleasure in saying that I have known Mr. Pearlson for 3 or 4 years, and that he was in my employment for about 12 months as Assistant Engineer supervising the erection of a bridge on concrete piers that I built near Blenheim in the South Island of New Zealand.

He also worked for a short time on the draughts of another bridge.

I know he has been working for Licensed Surveyors in New Zealand for some years and was for a considerable time recently surveying in British North Borneo, where he gave satisfaction to his employers.

Mr. Pearlson has Colonial experience of surveying that enables him to work in rough country to advantage, and also to handle rough men. He is strong and healthy, used to rough living, and very energetic. He has not got a Surveyor's License (but N.Z. Surveyors' license qualifies also for Land Transfer work in Australia and South Africa without passing further examination).

I am myself a New Zealand Licensed Surveyor, and a member

of Council of our N.Z. Institute of Surveyors.

Mr. Pearless I know can give a good account of himself in Land Survey operations, and I have tested him to some extent in the usual trigonometrical calculations, computation of areas, adjustment of instruments etc. If it is necessary for Mr. Pearless to acquire better knowledge in any ordinary branch of surveying he may be required to undertake on Foreign Service, I am sure he would soon qualify for it.

I have employed several surveyors of Mr. Pearless's type here who have not sat for a license, and they have done well for me in open and forest field work, and have been expeditious and efficient.

I am quite sure that if Mr. Pearless is given an appointment he will give satisfaction to his employers, and if there is any occasional complicated mathematical problem, so rarely met with in ordinary work, he will only have to ask for assistance from his Chief of Head Office.

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