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Governor No. 1
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(Subject.)

1908

Application of Mr D. F. Kerwan
Postal Clerk & Telegraphist
for promotion

3rd Feb

Last previous Paper.

Documents, with minutes by Mr J

5/5/04

General Dept. (Minutes.)
H. J. N. 9/3

Mr Harris

Regret. Request that Mr Kerwan should be informed that in view of his age, his short service in S.A. Prot., & the nature of the Departmental Minute on his application, Lord Elgin regrets that he can hold out no hope of meeting his wishes at the present time; but ~~regrets~~ ^{hopes} that he should be at liberty to renew his application

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Subsequent Paper.

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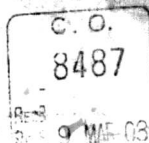
Governor's Office,
Nairobi.

February 3rd 1908.

EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

CONFIDENTIAL (11)

(Incl. 2)



My Lord,

I have the honour to transmit herewith an application for promotion from Mr. D. F. Kirwan, Postal Clerk and Telegraphist, together with a memorandum by Postmaster General.

2. I have nothing to add to the latter.

I have the honour to be,
With the highest respect,
My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,
humble servant,

(In the absence of H.E. the Governor)

H.M. PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF STATE

FOR THE COLONIES,

DOWNING STREET,

LONDON, S.W.

Application for Promotion in the Colonial Service

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To be filled up by the Applicant himself, and returned to the Governor for transmission to the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

ENCLOSURE No. 1

Name in full ... *Richard Francis Kirowan*
 Date of Application ... *6 January 1908.*
 Present Appointment ... *Postal Clerk & Telegraphist Post E. A. Post*

Father's Name ... *John Kirowan*
 Profession or Occupation ... *Sub Agent Marquis of Waterford's Irish Estates.*
 Address ... *Kilclooney, Kilmacshomes, Ireland.*
 If dead, his Name and Profession should nevertheless be given.

Day and year of Birth ... *9 November 1883* Age last birthday *24*
 Place of birth ... *Kilclooney, Kilmacshomes, Colwaterford Ireland.*
 Whether single, married, or a widower ... *married*
 Number of children *1. Son* Aged respectively, *23 1/2 years.*
 Daughters ...

Education ...
 Mention the Schools or Colleges at which you received your education, professional as well as general; and give in each case the date of entry and leaving:
National Schools Waterford 1890-7
Banavaghams Academy 1897-1901
Athinson's Civil Service Academy Manchester 1901-3

Professional qualifications (if any), and the date at which each was obtained
Good general knowledge of Postal & Telegraph Work
Waterford, Manchester (Tel & Postal Book)
Durban, Kimberley, Johannesburg, Entebbe & Uganda
21 Nassau & Marlborough E. A. Post

Employment from completion of education to date of entering the public service ...
 Mention each position held by you, the dates between which you held it, and the cause of leaving; and what salary you are now receiving.
Entered P.O. Dept immediately after leaving school
Imperial Post Office 1900-3 (Transferred)
Natal 1903-5 (Transferred)
Brit. E. Africa Uganda 1905-
Employed since 1900 in Imperial Colonial P.O's in a established capacity Present Salary £116

(J. 6.)

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[This page is to be reserved for any report which the Governor may make when sending the form to the Colonial Office.]

Despatch No. 11 of 26.3.1908

MEMORANDUM.

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The Secretary to the
East Africa Administration,
N a i r o b i.

Mr. Kirwan has hitherto been a failure as a supervisor. Moreover he finds it difficult to get on with Indians and there has been trouble both with the staff under his control and the Indian public. It is only fair, however, that I should add that owing to the delay in making appointments I have been obliged to place him in positions in which it was difficult for him to give satisfactory work owing to his youth (he was then only 23) and inexperience.

2. Mr. Kirwan's operative work is good — he fails only when made responsible for the work of others — and if he were transferred to Nyassaland where he would have to work as a single handed Postmaster without clerical assistance he would probably do very well. I make this suggestion because I understand that one of the candidates for the office of Nyassaland (Mr. Hart) is applying for transfer to this office as a 1st class Postmaster and if the report received regarding Mr. Hart is satisfactory the change might perhaps be arranged in October next.

3. I enclose a copy of my Departmental minute regarding this application.

(Sd). J. GOSLING.

POSTMASTER GENERAL.

Nairobi,
January 1908.

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Copy of minute by Postmaster General in re
Mr. Kirwan's application for promotion.

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The Postmaster,
N a i r o b i .

I think that Mr. Kirwan should be reminded that his record here, when placed in position of responsibility, is not a good one. I am quite willing to send this form forward if he wishes, but suggest that it might be to his advantage if the application were deferred for a while in the anticipation of my being thereby enabled to make a more favourable report (based on a period of — I hope — satisfactory service) than I could send in at present.

(Inld). J. G.

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May
7 March 1908
Sir,

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Wm J Hayes, Sadder

MINUTE.

- Mr. Borthwickley 25/3
- Mr. Read
- Mr. Jux
- Mr. Astrobos.
- Mr. Cox
- Sir C. Lucas.
- Sir F. Hopwood.
- Mr. Churchill
- The Earl of Elgin.

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I have the hon: to
ack: the rec: of Mr.
Jackson's despatch, conf:
no. 11, of the 3rd of
February, enclosing an
application for promotion
from Mr D. F. Kirwan,
Postal Clerk and Khyaphist.
2. I have to request you to
cause Mr. Kirwan to be
informed that in view of
his age, his short service
in the CAP, and the nature
of the Departmental business
on his application, I regret
that I can hold out no
hope of seeing his name
at the present time