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OFFICES AND OFFICIALS.
(Appointments)

1927.

No. 578/27.

Colonial Secretary.

SUBJECT.

1927
19th October.GYMNASTIC AND DRILL INSTRUCTOR.

Appointment of:-

Previous Paper.

MINUTES.

P.A. 11/27
1-2. Letter to Lt. Colonel A. Thorne, 19/10/27.

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to 21. 10. 27 *for 19. 11. 27.*

3. Enclosure to G.I. despatch No 249 of 24/11/27.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
STANLEY,

19th October, 1927

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

My dear Bulgy,

A few lines to wish you both the compliments of the season. I am sending you a Xmas Card. I hope you will admire the Penguin!

It is possible we may want a first-class drill instructor to take over our Defence Force. I wonder if you could help in this? I feel sure you must know of some excellent ex-Guardsman who would do for the post. I want a good disciplinarian and a man who could teach gymnastics and boxing. It is essential that he is a teetotalier or at any rate a strictly temperate man. A wife and family would be no objection.

It is all in the air at present but if it materialises I will ask the Colonial Office

LT.-COLONEL ANDREW THORNE, C.M.G., D.S.O.,
ETC., ETC., ETC.
(Ex-Guards Guards)

to /

to get in touch with you and then you will know what it is all about.

Have you been shooting at Mulgrave this year? I hear constantly from Normanby. Elizabeth is up in Yorkshire but Katharine is still in London.

Come out here and shoot whales with me when you want a change.

Very best wishes,

Yours ever,

ARNOLD ~~HOBSON~~.

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PARTICULARS of the Office of DRILL AND GYMNASTIC INSTRUCTOR
now vacant in the Colony of THE FALKLAND ISLANDS.

1. Duties of Office, and qualifications required for their performance.

To be Drill and Musketry Instructor to the Falkland Islands Defence Force, and Physical Training and Boxing Instructor to the School children, the Boy Scouts, and the members of the Falkland Islands Defence Force.

2. Salary and emoluments, and whether secured by a permanent law.

Engagement on agreement for three years with usual clause as to termination during this period if not found satisfactory. Salary £800 a year: quarters are not provided. The emoluments of the office are not secured by permanent law.

3. Other circumstances affecting the value of the Office.

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4. Nature, number, and amount of securities required and mode of giving them.

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5. Whether any, and if any, what provision is made from public funds for the passage from this country, or elsewhere, of the person sent out to fill the office.

Free second class passage to the Colony and return to England on satisfactory termination of agreement for the person engaged, and wife and family, not exceeding four persons besides himself.

6. Acts or ordinances, making provision respecting any of the above matters, and especially respecting the permanency of the emoluments and the particulars of the security required, with references to the sections in which such provision is made.

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Note.

The person engaged must be a total abstainer or at any rate of strictly temperate habits. He must be a good disciplinarian. There is

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no objection to the engagement of a married man but house accommodation in Stanley is difficult to obtain. It is thought that an ex-non-commissioned-officer of the Guards should prove suitable if such can be obtained with first-class record of service and character.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

STANLEY,

24th November, 1927.

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

No. 249.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the provision in the sum of £200 made in the Estimates of the Expenditure of the Colony for the year 1928 for the appointment of a Drill and Gymnastic Instructor under Head XIV. 'Military' and to request that in the event of this proposed addition to the establishment meeting with your approval steps may be taken for the selection of a suitable man at an early convenient opportunity.

2. It is perhaps unnecessary for me to emphasize the fact that it is essential that the man selected should be of exemplary character and free from any suspicion of serious shortcoming such as a tendency to excessive indulgence in alcoholic liquor, but I would ask that his previous record may be carefully scrutinized before his engagement so that so far as it is possible it is made certain that he will be in every way reliable and fitted for service under local conditions.

3. I would add that I have written to Lieut.-Colonel Andrew Thorne, C.M.G., D.S.O., who is at present in command of the Grenadier Guards, in this connection asking for his advice in the matter if you so think proper. I would suggest unless you see any objection to such course, that the Crown

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THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

L. C. M. S. AMERY, P.C., M.P.,

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE COLONIES.

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Agents for the Colonies might be instructed to communicate with Lieut.-Colonel Thorne with the view to obtaining his assistance in the search for a suitable man.

4. In anticipation of your approval of this appointment, which I consider to be of primary importance both for the efficiency of the Defence Force and for the physique of the coming generation, I enclose the usual paper of particulars of the vacant office.

In duplicate.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

humble servant,

ARNOLD HODSON.