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[Despatch Abstract.]

Government Museum.

Addressing the Government of India in regard to the filling up of the post of the Superintendent, Government Museum and the Principal Librarian Connemara Public Library and stating that this Government adhere to the proposals made in their letter No. 1638 Home (Education) dated 12-12-18 on the subject of the revision of the scale of pay attached to the post.

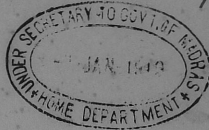
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ZOOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA. ✓

Indian Museum,

Calcutta, the 3. 12

1919.

Telegraphic Address:
"Zoology, Calcutta."
Telephone No. 9513.

Dear Sir,

Under instructions from Dr. Annandale, Director of the Zoological Survey of India, I enclose a typed copy of a letter concerning myself. He wrote it under the impression that I had already applied for appointment as Superintendent of the Government Museum, Madras, during his absence in Sistan, as indeed I should have done had I known to whom the application should have been addressed.

I understand that, in addition to the house, the maximum salary is to be raised to Rs. 1000; & I presume that in the event of my appointment I should be started on not less than my present salary (Rs. 660, rising about a year hence to Rs. 700 monthly) & that my service here would count for furlough, pension etc. If this is correct I shall be glad if you will consider my qualifications for the post.

I took the B.Sc. degree of the Victoria University of Manchester, with honours in Zoology, in 1906, the M.Sc. degree in 1908, & the D.Sc. degree in 1916. The last mentioned degree was given for

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work done in India, chiefly on the Oriental Passalidae & on a problem in geographical distribution connected both with them & with other groups.

My chief papers, ^{written} previous to coming to India were as follows:-

1907. joint paper with Prof. S. J. Richardson, F.R.S.
on the Hydroids of the National ("Discovery")
Antarctic Expedition. Published by the
British Museum (34 pp., 4 pl.).
1909. "Studies on Polychaet Larvae" L. J. M. S.
30 pp., 1 pl.
1909. "Polychaet Larvae". L. M. B. C. Memoir no.
XIX, 79 pp., 4 pl.

My work in India has resulted chiefly in the following papers:-

1914. "An Account of the Oriental Passalidae"
Mem. Ind. Mus. III, pp. 177-353, pl. XI-XII
1915. "A Contribution towards the Revision
of the Passalidae of the World." Mem.
Ind. Mus. VII, pp. 1-144, pl. 1.
1915. "Notes on the Habits of Indian Insects, Myriapods
& Arachnids" Rec. Ind. Mus. XI pp. 483-539;
pl. XXII-XXV.
- 1912-15. Reports on the Temnocephalidae, Scolopendridae
Pedipalpi, Lucanidae, Passalidae & Tenebrionidae
of the Alor Expedition of 1911-12, Rec. Ind. Mus. VIII.
- 1915-16. Two papers on Indian Beetle Larvae. Rec. Ind.
Mus. XI, pp. 353-366, pl. XX-XXI & XII, pp. 137-175,
pl. XX-XXII.

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1915. "A Catalogue of the Lucanidae in the collection of the Indian Museum." Rec. Ind. Mus. XI, pp. 407-431, pl. XXIX.
1915. "Notes on Indian Mygalomorph Spiders." Rec. Ind. Mus. XI, pp. 257-287, pl. XV.
1916. "The Evolution & Distribution of the Indo-Australian Phelyphonidae, with notes on the distinctive characters of the various species." Rec. Ind. Mus. XII, pp. 60-85, pl. I-IV.
1915. "A Revision of the Oriental subfamilies of Tarantulidae." Rec. Ind. Mus. XI, pp. 434-455, pl. XXXI.
- 1915, in conjunction with Dr. M. Anandale & Mr. J. Coggin Brown "The Limestone Caves of Burma & the Malay Peninsula." J. A. S. B. (M. S.) IX, pp. 391-424, pl. XVIII-XXII.
- 1911, in conjunction with Mr. S. Maulik "Notes on the development of some Indian Arachnidae & Myrmeleonidae." Rec. Ind. Mus. VI, pp. 101-110, pl. V.
- 1912, in conjunction with Mr. S. P. Aggarwal "Notes on the Habits & Distribution of Limnocnida indica, Anandale." Rec. Ind. Mus. VII, pp. 399-403, pl. XXXVI.
- My acquaintance with the Madras Presidency

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is practically confined to the Chilka Lake in Ganjam & the Timber Forests of Cochin; by my collecting tours in other parts of India, & in Burma & Ceylon have given me a knowledge of environmental conditions that should form a good foundation for future work with special reference to Madras.

My special work in the Indian Museum has been the care of the Entomological collections; & I have superintended the rearrangement of all the Insects & Hachinidys exhibited in the public galleries. I am at present engaged on a similar rearrangement of the Molluscs.

I gave a course of six popular lectures in the Museum during the summer of 1914, & have given one or two isolated lectures since.

I am much interested in Indian history & art; but my official work having been purely zoological I have had little opportunity for studying them as yet.

I am also much interested in education. For recommendation I may refer you to the enclosed letter from Dr. Annandale, &

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may add that I am personally known
to Dr. Henderson, the present Superintendent
of the Madras Museum.

Should you care to see copies of
testimonials given me when I applied
for my present post I shall be
glad to send them; but they are
probably too old now to be of much
value, so I will not trouble you with
them at present.

I remain,

Yours truly,

J. H. Gravely, Asst. Supdt. Zool. Survey of India.

D.O.No. 1721.

Zoological Survey of India,
Camp Quetta, the 26th December 1918.

Dear Sir,

I understand that Dr. F. H. Gravely at present Assistant Superintendent, Zoological Survey of India, has applied for the post Superintendent of the Government Museum in Madras during my absence in Seistan. In taking this course he has my approval as the circumstances were peculiar and I had agreed personally that he should apply for the post when it fell vacant.

I understand further that the present Superintendent is likely to retire in March 1919 and that the Government of Madras desire to fill the vacancy immediately. Should Dr. Gravely be appointed would it be possible to arrange that he should not vacate his present post until six months after the date of his appointment? I do not wish in any way to raise any obstacle to his going to Madras, but it will be very difficult to make arrangements to carry on the work of the Zoological Survey of India if he is to leave Calcutta immediately.

I may say that I consider that the Government of Madras will be extremely lucky in securing the services of Dr. Gravely, who is not only a first rate zoologist but takes an interest in Indian art and other branches of museum work. He is well acquainted personally with certain parts of Madras.

The Secretary to the Govt. of Madras,
Home (Education) Department,
Fort St. George,
M A D R A S .

Yours faithfully,
Sd/- N. Annandale.

Director,
Zoological Survey of India.

True Copy.

F. H. Gravely.
for Director.
Zoological Survey of India.

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Ecological Survey of India
Camp, Madras, the 25th December 1931.
No. 1331.

Dear Sir,
I understand that Dr. P. H. Graves is present
as Indian Superintendent, Ecological Survey of India, and applying
for the post of Superintendent of the Government Museum in Madras.
During my absence in Madras, in taking this course he has my
approval as the circumstances were peculiar and I had given
personally that he should apply for the post when it fell vacant.
I understand further that the present Superintendent
is likely to retire in March 1932 and that the Government
of Madras desire to fill the vacancy immediately. Should Dr.
Graves be appointed would it be possible to arrange that he
should not vacate his present post until six months after the
date of his appointment? I do not wish in any way to raise any
obstacle to his going to Madras, but it will be very difficult
to make arrangements to carry on the work of the Ecological
Survey of India if he is to leave Madras immediately.
I may say that I consider that the Government
of Madras will be extremely lucky in securing the services of Dr.
Graves, who is not only a first class zoologist but takes an
interest in Indian art and other branches of Indian work. He
is well acquainted personally with certain parts of Madras.
Yours faithfully,
J. H. M. Anderson,
Director,
Ecological Survey of India.

The Secretary to the Govt. of Madras,
Home (Education) Department,
Fort St. George,
MADRAS.

True Copy.
F. H. Graves,
For Director,
Ecological Survey of India.

Home (807)

[C No 38B]

Application of Dr. F. H. Gravely, of
for the post of the Supdt. Govt. Museum, Madras
For the R.L.

Dr. F. H. Gravely, Asst. Supdt.

Zoological Survey of India, appl
for the post of the Supdt. Govt. Museum
which will be rendered vacant on the
1st April next, consequent on the retn
of Mr. J. R. Henderson. He appends to
application a copy of the A.O.
to have been written by the Direct
Zoological Survey of India, to the
Govt. Home Dept. But the original
has ~~not~~ not ~~been~~ been
in the Dept. He desires that he
may be considered if he will, as
by him, be allowed to start on
present salary in the new appo
and also to count his past ser
in the Zoological Survey of India
pension etc. His present salary
In the event of his appointment
Govt. Museum, he will, under
157 A(b) of the G. S. R., start
salary which will be calc
follows: - pay Rs 650 in the
new appointment + personal allow

Dr. F. H. Gravely, Asst. Supdt.
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visiting about a year hence
to Rs 700 p.m. - Scale of pay
maximum

His past service in the Zoological Survey will doubtless count for furlough, pension etc as both these services are under the Govt.

(E) 2 Attention is solicited to the letter No 1638 Home (Edn) of 19.XII.18 wherein the Govt have expressly stated that it is proposed "to appoint as Superintendent a man who has had previous experience in the general care, supervision, arrangement and development of a museum on modern lines and himself an expert in one of the important sections of the museum". Mr. Girdlestone does not seem to possess any general experience but is reported to be a competent Zoologist with some experience in the care of Entomological collections in the Indian Museum. H.E. the Secy has already written separately to certain Secretaries of British India to suggest suitable candidates for Great Britain. Orders are issued as to the reply that should be given to the present applicant. It is noted in this connection that the applicant is not likely

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Wp 6-7 of the notes to
(E)
No 1638 Home (Edn)
19.XII.18

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May we say that
 our intuition is now
 rather to secure a
 man with first class
 museum experience but
 that Dr. Gravely's application
 will be considered in
 due course?

What is the present maximum pay of the post please?

For the U.S.

The existing scale of pay of the appointment is Rs 500-50-800 a month. An application has recently been made to the Govt of India to raise the pay of the post to Rs 500-50-1000 per annum. - vide Letter No 1638 Home (G.O.) of 19.XII.18

a D.O. since received from
P.S. 4. has been added to the
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Madras
14th January 1919.
Confidential.
My dear Swamikannu Pillai,
When Sir Thomas Holland was here in November last, His Excellency had an opportunity of privately consulting him with reference to a successor to Dr. J. R. Henderson on his retirement. Sir Thomas suggested among others Messrs. Kemp and Gravely of the Indian Museum, Calcutta. Under His Excellency's instructions I wrote to Dr. Henderson asking for his opinion of them and on receipt of his reply His Excellency authorised Dr. Henderson, who happened to be going to Calcutta on his way to Burma, to sound Mr. Gravely.
His Excellency ~~now~~ understands that Mr. Gravely has now sent in an application for the appointment to the Secretary to Government, Home (Education) Department, and I am to ask you to put it up for orders on receipt.
Yours sincerely,
M. R. Ry Diwan Bahadur
L. D. Swamikannu Pillai Avl., I. S. O.
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His Excellency has consulted Sir Alexander
Caird and proposes to appoint Mr
Gravely. The necessary letters to the
G.O. Secy. should be sent to him.

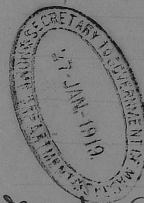
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They being informed that in view of
Mr. Grady's qualifications they wish
to show the proposals made in
their letter to 1638 dated 19.12.18.

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For the U.S.

A draft letter to India
is submitted for approval
for orders, whether
~~should be sent~~
to send a reply to Mr. F. D. Grady at
present.

21.1.19

28.1.19

S. L.

Financial may see the letter
before issue.

2. Suppose that the presumptions
at A above are correct except that
the salary pay will be treated as 650 + 1870
who raised to 700 at the end of the
first year.

May 3/2/19



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Financial Dept.

With reference to para 2 of Home Sec note on page 5 ante, it is submitted that Mr. Seavelly's pay in the Madras post will be fixed with reference to art. 157(b) of the C.S.R. ~~as~~ as laid down in S.O. 1010 Int. S. 18.12.18. There is no question of personal allowance. As regards ~~the~~ the presumption referred to at A on page 1 cf., it is submitted that Mr. Seavelly's service in the Zoological Survey Dept will count for furlough, pension etc. after he has joined the Madras post, if the terms of his present post permit of furlough, pension, etc. under the ordinary rules.

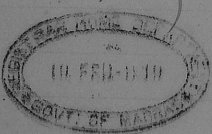
No other remarks are called for on the proposed appointment of Mr. Seavelly as Supdt. of the Govt. Museum.

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Home Secy For Genl Secy
For orders as to the issue of the draft letter to India

2. Orders are also solicited on para 2 of the office note on p. 5 ante.

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1. Issue
2. Mr. Leover to Mr. Leover

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Home (Education) Dept.

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Letter No 235 of 21.2.1919

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Department of Education.

Sir,

(E) In continuation of this Govt's letter No. 1638, Home (Education), dated the 19th December 1918, I am directed to state that the Governor in Council proposes to appoint to the post of the Superintendent, Government Museum and Principal Librarian of the Connemara Public Library, Madras, Dr. F.H. Gravely, Assistant Superintendent, Zoological Survey of India who is at present drawing Rs. 660 per mensem. Dr. Gravely has expressed his willingness to accept the post on the understanding that the maximum pay of the appointment is to be raised to Rs. 1,000. The Governor in Council is of opinion that he is well-qualified for the post, and that in view of his qualifications and experience he should be given the benefit of the enhancement recently proposed.

(E) 2. I am accordingly to inform you that this Government adhere to the proposals made in their letter No. 1638 Home (Education) dated the 19th December 1918, and to request that sanction may be obtained for the revision of the scale of pay attached to the post.

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