

The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers

Since writing the foregoing I have recd your letter of the 26 June to Mr Dixon in which I see you have written about our friend Mr H S Newman.³ Mr Newman is absent on the Continent for two weeks or so. In his absence I may say the salary offered would be about £150 per annum to commence with some 150 native Africans would be employed on Farm which would be a coconut & cloves plantation.

ALS Con. 116 BTW Papers DLC. Docketed: "Mr. Logan thinks you had better have this letter. Nothing has been done about it. E[stelle] M. J[ackson]."

¹ Francis William Fox (1841-1918) was the son of a banker of Kingsbridge, Devonshire. An active Quaker throughout his life, Fox became an engineer with an international clientele, and this led him into peace activities. A visit to Egypt in 1884 to discuss construction of irrigation works, for example, led to efforts to bring peace in the Sudan and Abyssinia. Fox sought to abolish the slave trade in Africa, and this led to an interest in the agricultural-industrial mission in Zanzibar and Pemba. Fox later turned his interest to Quaker missions in China and to the cause of European disarmament. (De Montmorency, *Francis William Fox*.)

² See above, 2:45.

³ Henry Stanley Newman (1818-1908) was a prominent Quaker of Leominster, England, and justice of the peace in Hereford County. He was editor of *The Friend*, a Quaker newspaper, from 1892 until his death. Newman traveled widely in Europe, America, and Africa. He took special interest in freeing the slaves on the islands of Zanzibar and Pemba.

An Address before the National Educational Association¹

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THE INFLUENCE OF THE NEGROES' CITIZENSHIP

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen: The discussion of the educational needs of the South would not be complete without a consideration of the condition and the needs of the seven millions of the race which I have the honor to represent. It is interesting to know the number of suggestions that have been made within the last thirty years looking towards improving the condition, or getting rid of the negro in this country. I remember about a year ago when a ship set sail from the port of Savannah, Georgia, bound for Liberia, Africa, that the news was flashed from one end of this country to the other, "Now the negro problem will very soon be solved in this country as the negroes