

Firestone Plantation Co  
Division #27. 30  
November 19. 1940

Dear Father

Mr J. D. Sampson

I receive your letter with many thanks

Please I never got any letter from you  
at all, but this is the first letter.

Myself I wanted to see you very bad  
but I thought you never come up  
to Firestone. Please you will see

me after 11. December. And I know  
this is your country and my

country, but you is my old  
father Mr Sampson.

Mrs truly

J. T. Brown

Mr. Sandy Esq  
Harrow Hill  
Firestone Plantations Es  
Basside Liberia

Division #445  
Firestone Plantations  
April 12<sup>th</sup> 1940

Dear Sir,

As I am just out for my quarterly vacation for this present time I am sorry to state that I have nothing doing at this present moment while I should be return back with all my clothing and books payment. upon this I am asking you kindly be kind enough to assist me about getting a job at your department such as Clerk or O/S, as I learned that a Clerk or O/S is needed in your Quarter. I am sure that all the best satisfaction will be giving you at the time of working hours. All hope of best trustfull mind to you. For your sincere reply I remain to be Sir.

Yrs faithfully  
J. B. Williams

Application # ~~18~~ <sup>18</sup>

Firestone Plantation

Company

20/3/40

Dear Sir

I send this my Application to you  
for me to work to your place as Clerk.

Even if you can put me under some one,  
else I can be their for a week for him to put  
me true.

I hope when you received my poor  
Application you will try your possible to  
take me. then I can try my best to do the  
work

Yours

Joseph Davies

F. P. Co,  
DIV: #16  
6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 1940

M. F. TANDY ESQUIRE  
HYDRO ELECTRIC  
DIVISION #44.

DEAR SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOUR MOST RESPECTFULLY BEG,  
TO WRITE YOU THIS LETTER JUST TO REMIND YOU TO ME  
ONCE MORE AS YOUR CLERK WHO HAD ACCIDENT SINCE 9  
MONTHS AGO, AND IN THE MERCY OF THE ALMIGHTY, HAD BEEN  
RECOVERED, THROUGH THE SKILFULNESS OF DR. CAMPBELL AND HIS  
ASSISTANTS.

IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, I AM IN DEBTEDNESS TO GOD FOR  
ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN PRAYER, FOR THIS MY PRESENT RECOVERY  
ESPECIALLY TO ONE IN PERSON OF MR. VIPOND WHOSE NAME I SHALL  
NEVER BE FORGOTTEN IN LIFE FOR THE KINDNESS HE EXTENDED TO  
GIVE ME A JOB FOR MY LIVING, IN DIVISION #16.

IN THE MEANTIME, I DONT KNOW PERHAPS YOU MIGHT  
REQUIRE MY SERVICES ONCE MORE, AS DESIRE.

KIND REGARDS

YOUR MOST OBEDIENTLY



J. T. C. MOFFATT

Division #3.  
July 30, 1910.

Mr. M. F. Jandy,  
Chief Hydro Electric.

Sir:-

With reference to these humble of words, I beg most politely to inquire your honour, that you may kindly give me job.

I worked for Mr Chancellor before. As assistant overseer, during the time he was opened #43. Please sir, help me out from my Circumstance which I in.

I was attended school in here past year. But, I'm not attendance school this year if in the case of my ness necessity.

For as intellectual ability is Concerned, I beg to offer you in the Roman Catholic mission at Kakata.

While thanking you in anticipation, I beg to remain yours faithfully.

J. Roberts

Mr. M. F. Tandy,  
Chief Hydro Electric.  
Div HH.

Division #3

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May 13 1940  
Hydro Electric plant

Dear Boss Tandy

Simpling Writing you these  
few lines to inform you about the work which  
we are doing. Boss you your self knows Boss  
that we who come from Kwa-kata here to firestone to work  
which you knows it your self Boss that it means much  
some of us has wife and children and for us to leave them  
and come back to them every month they are expecting  
something from us and for us to work at the rate of one  
shilling per day it is very hard because for my part my wife  
is here my two children is in monrovia in school I have  
to pay there school field beside I has to pay tax I have to feed  
my children and also my father my mother and sister, is all looking  
to me they dont know what I am getting per day all they know  
when the month end I will send them something. I have been  
working on the government road for three year and six  
month as carpenter and steel man building bridges, and the cause of  
me leaving the road, is because the closing of the road.  
my boss was Mr. Walker. he was about to go home. it is the cause  
of me coming here. so please Boss try and give me a raise on my

Sir

with hope and honour,  
I have to give you an explanation  
for the report  
x which H. M. Joe has fallen before you this  
morning about me. who said  
that I am a stealer in Fire Stone.  
while all is not true Sir. Because  
I have worked in this Company  
almost two years without any  
had complain from any body  
concerning my actions.  
But he only wants to spoil  
my own character here to  
you Sir. while we are  
not working under one  
man.

POT. 0

But because you are the head  
of the whole working department  
and you are to decide every  
matter between boys H.M.S.  
and Over Sees Sir.

But you told me to come  
back to my working place.  
and I paid attention to  
your advice Sir.

Yours

Yours Obedient  
Servant

30-5-40

My  
Standy

To  
Mr M. F. Tandy  
Engineer  
Hydro  
Dear Sir

From Sciffa  
Carpenter.  
Baclay Farm.  
31-1-40.

I have the the honor most respectfully  
to draw your felicitous attention to my faithful  
request. When this note meet you, you may  
attempt all your gracious excellence and  
approved to my request.

I am here with forwarding myself to  
you with my Carpenter tools to let you may  
let <sup>me</sup> have a Carpenter's job. I just came  
from home. This is the first time I want to  
Work in your Dept. as a Carpenter.

Am a bon Carpenter for myself. I  
already got my Carpenter tools. I will be please  
if you will approved to my gracious requests.

If you do approve or employ me,  
I will be honest, smart and obedient to my  
Seniors. I was working to Cape Mount as  
a Carpenter. And I just came from there.  
I am awaiting for my urgent request.

I have the honor to be

Sir  
I am your obedient Servant  
Sciffa:

Mr R. F. Tandy  
Engineer  
Hydro

Kakato

July 17, 1900.

Mr. Fenndy  
Manager  
Sir:-

With reference to these humble of words, I beg most politely to ask your Honour, that you may kindly give the job.

In fact, I never do Firestone work before. But if the privilege will grantes me, I will convenience to do my possible best to merits your confident.

Far as intellectual ability is concerned, I beg to offer you in the Roman Catholic mission at Kakato.

While thanking you in anticipation, I beg to remain yours faithfully.

J. Roberts

To Mr Jenny,  
Manager Hydro.

From 29 to 30 days I dream, here is the listen.  
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On the twenty nine of July 1940, when I liy to sleep, I dream. Now in my dream I saw a large ship over to the river and it was very beautiful, after that I cross the river. Then a Union Jack from way up and stick down to the ground by himself without tuching, then I walk off through under the big tree, after I look up, I see one large eagle hang over me, at once I saw a white man coming with his gun and shout the eagle immediately but the eagle did not fall down until a black man come with his gun and shout again befor the eagle fall down from the tree, there the people clap hand to him after all I see seven airplane run from South to West but one come down lower and the other go up high, in my return to come home I saw myself stand over a high mountain, there I hear a question to me, are you see all over the wolrd ? I reply no sir. The person say to me look up and I look up there was seven seven months hanging up and shining brightly, then he tell me to look round and I did it, but everything was equal, the man who speak to me, I did not see himself at all.

Yours sincerely

O/S D. Thomas  
Hydro Station

Hydro Electric

December 20th 1942

Mr. M. T. Tandy

Dear Boss, Sir I am here  
with thanking this great  
opportunity to write you these  
~~few~~ few words of mine in  
asking you about the thing which  
I told you about the other days  
concerning about my payment.

Boss, as I have told you  
already about my expenses  
that I have to undergo in this  
time. Because you <sup>know</sup> well in this  
fire stone a man with woman  
and children one shilling is not  
enough to feed or do anything with,  
so please poss do for God sake  
help me this month if no more  
six cents put it on my money  
Because I have coult for myself  
to over this time so please try. Thank  
Faithfully yours Ben

Mr  
M. F. Tandy  
Dydor Electric

Hydra Hill

9<sup>th</sup> 11 40

Mr

Gandy

Sir:-

With due respect and more perfect opinion beg to say that I can't wait on you no longer than today, you promised to let me have the articles Thursday last, and up to this pleasant date I haven't receive any. The few change which I had, I have spent all in buying food for the boys with me; you even told me that you were going to give me some rice yesterday and I did not get it. I think you might have forget. Try your very best to attend <sup>to</sup> me today for I am leaving tonight 5.30. a.m.

Thanks for prompt attention  
Sincerely yours R. J. Hooper

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Confidential!

Mr,

Jandy,  
Hydro Hill,  
Firestone Plantation.

M<sup>rs</sup>

Tandy  
Manager

Hydro electric

Hydro Electric  
24-Dec-41

Dear Sir

We are here earnestly  
reminding your honours for our merry Christmas  
As we all are in your great charge and  
we hope you will look towards us as your  
children. And we are praying to God our Lord  
for you to enjoy the same big day in peace  
and the one coming after this etc.

So therefore, please Sir, you must not forget your  
children. Because, we are looking to you,  
as the baby looks to its father.  
now our favour is hopping on you Sir, to  
grant our poor request.

We remain with  
much thanks Sir

Yrs obedient drivers  
Richard and  
all Sir

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Tandy

Manager  
Hydro Electric

Hydro Electric

Dear Bus Landy.

I heard that when after  
Pay you are going home  
I do not know whether  
it is truth or not. There  
fore you must please find  
one good person like  
yourself for me to be with  
until you come back.

I beg you for God sake  
Bus do not left me here  
without finding some  
body for me to stay with

June 29. 1941

I am your boy  
Manolo.

Mr Candy.

Harbel Hill

Box 44.

Mrs Daryl  
Firestone Dr #44. Harbell Hill

Dear Mrs. I wanted to go up to my country  
so I can find you some meat skin but  
I did not go again so here I bring  
one Chickens for your soup I am  
yours Headman Muller

May 7 1941

31  
to Miss Danby  
Harbel Hill

March 27, 1941.  
Fire Stone plantation Div # 43.

Dear Miss.

I am herewith sending this letter to let you know that I have not get any job for me to do. because I was work under Mr Karouah. So he stop me from they work. So myself I sitting down about one month. I since get any kind work for to do.

therefore I am kindly to coming ask you. So can you to help me out.

So please to be kindly so can give me small work for me to do. I am  
truly yours.

Yard Boy.

to Miss - -  
Hard Bell Hill.  
Div # 44

Dear Sir,

I run up to you for a help of job as you have never one day disappointed any body in the hour of his financial need.

I was working in the Customs. but I left on the account of the war therefore I come to beg you most kindly please do your best and give me any kind of job you find suitable in my request.

Sir, looking forward with yearning vision and great anxiety of seeing a favourable reply at your earliest convenience, with sentiments of profound respect accorded,

I beg to remain by your decided  
Obediently yours servant

J. Bleeplay.  
28/6/41

to  
Mr Jandy

Dear Mr Tenny,

I beg to report my circumstance  
that I am out of job, therefore  
I feel, I should walk before you  
for an assistance.

Because since Mr Gaper  
leaved I put my hope on you  
Sir.

#45 Birch Cr.  
22/7/41.

Very yours obediently  
J. Oles.

Harbel Landing,  
30th Oct., 1942.

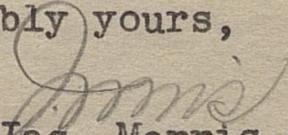
Dear Mr. Tandy:

I am appealing to you as if you were my immediate boss, for a helping hand.

My wife is under confinement in the Liberian Government hospital - Monrovia. You can imagine how she needs not only moral assistance, ~~but~~ but financial assistance as well.

May I entreat you, sir, as one of my chief ~~the~~ departmental chiefs, for an assistance of few shillings? I would be much obliged should a big Shot of your type come to the rescue of one of his boys. THANKS IN ADVANCE.

Humbly yours,

  
Jas. Morris of  
M. & S.

Mr. M. F. Tandy,  
Chief Engineer,  
Hydro.

AIR PORT AREA  
FISH CREEK  
VIA DIVISION #45

3RD JANUARY 1942

MR. F. TANDY,  
HYDRO ELECTRIC.

DEAR SIR,

I BEG TO WRITE THIS NOTE  
SO THAT YOU MAY GIVE JOHN, YOUR BOY A  
RECOMMENDATION TESTIMONIAL, BECAUSE SEVERAL  
TIME SOMEONE WANTED TO EMPLOYE HIM, HE  
FIRST ASK FOR SAME.

IN THE MEANTIME, MAY I BEG FOR THE  
AMOUNT I DUE, AS I WILL BE UNABLE TO SETTLE  
SAME COMING PAYDAY, DWING TO THE XMAS AND  
NEW YEAR EXPENSES MADE AND WILL PAY ON  
JANUARY 1942.

THE FAVOUR FOR WHICH ACCEPT MY SINCERE  
THANKS.

YOUR MOST OBEDIENTLY

JAMES DOE

MR. F. TANDY  
HYDRO ELECTRIC

24TH MAY 1942

MR. TANDY  
HYDRO ELECTRIC  
OR  
HARBEL HILL.

DEAR SIR,

I HAVE THE HONOUR MOST RESPECT-  
FULLY BEG TO WRITE THIS MY HUMBLE AND SUBMISSIVE  
LETTER TO REMIND YOU TO MY VERBAL CONVERSATION  
FEW DAYS AGO THAT I WOULD LIKE TO WORK UNDER  
YOU IN THE HYDRO ELECTRIC AS YOUR OLD  
SERVANT AFTER THIS MY SIX MONTHS EXPERIENCE  
IN THE SURVEY-ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT AS THEIR  
PAYROLL CLERK AND FIELD HELPER.

THE LABOUR OFFICE WILL HAVE NO OBJECTIONS  
SHOULD YOU REFER THE MATTER TO THEM FOR MY  
CHANGE OF STATUS OR LABOUR.

I AM KEENLY DESIROUS TO WORK UNDER YOU  
ERE YOUR DEPARTURE TO HOME AS YOU TOLD ME  
THE DAY I MET WITH YOU, IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE  
I AM AWAITING TO HEAR FROM YOU BEFORE THE  
END OF THE <sup>MONTH</sup> IN CURRENT AND THAT IS MY OWN  
SUBJECT OF <sup>A</sup> WALKING IN THIS RAIN TO YOUR  
BUNGALOW AND AWFULLY SORRY WHEN I DID NOT  
MEET YOU IN PERSON.

MAY BE, YOU WILL SEE ME IN THE AIROPLANS'  
STATION OR HAND MY REPLY TO THE FIRST SMALL  
OFFICE IN THE AIR PORT AFTER HAVING PASSED THE  
BRIDGE. OR JAMES DOE IF POSSIBLE.

SORRY FOR ANY TROUBLE CAUSED

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE,

SIR

YOUR MOST OBEDIENTLY

*J. T. C. Moffatt*

J. T. C. MOFFATT.



9-5-42.

Mr <sup>4</sup> Landry  
General Manager  
H. Hill.

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Dear Sir,

I beg in your honour,  
that I should like to  
help my poor brother for  
the job as a power plain  
man. May he can read  
and write clearly with  
his experience. Therefore  
do endeavour your possible  
best to give him a work  
for my sake, as you are  
entrusted the condition  
of me. And he is very  
expect fellow. And he,  
name was J. D. Nogle.

Good morning Sir  
Yrs truly  
Cooks  
W. Adam

To,

Mr. Tandy Esq.

General Manager.

H. Hill. Division 43.

F. P. Co.

Dear Sir;

I have the greatly please and most respectfully to dropping you these few lines of mine.

<sup>to</sup> Boss! I had being here for a number of time which yourself know. and till now. therefore. do kindly help me with my rate of 1-6 or 1-39 beg you. you raise all my friend them. which I come before. and I being working here hard. ~~are~~ even from Wigger work to Lods keeper. Boss! kindly sorry for me. and see about my rate.

no more to relate  
yours truly Lods keeper  
Tommy Morris,

1/16/4/2

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M. J. Sandy  
Hyder

9-4-21

Mr Sandy:

Sir,

I, in hereby to notice  
you that I do need  
the one of bed sheet  
from you with the  
best of your character  
Having, it is very sorry  
to depart from you.  
Please, you may try to  
thinking of me.  
May do not forget my  
brother Mr Greenwood for a  
now I need Sugar too.  
Yrs truly servant.  
Adam

To

Mr Tandy

General manager

H. Hill

Parker's Office  
Eastern End,  
Hydro Electric Plant, R.L.  
3 April, 1942.

The Officers & Staff In Charge  
Hydro Electric Plant,  
Firestone Plantations Company,  
Republic Of Liberia

Dear Sirs:-

It having reached our hearings that our dear good boss will be taking his departure for the States in short, and we having adjusted our selves to his management and not being desirous for him to leave us, do pray and petition to your good selves that if such be willed, to fail not in giving your audiences to our supplication for the following reasons:

1. Boss Parker is an energetic and indefatigable worker and his stay here will aid in bringing an acceleration to our work.
2. He is not a man that stays of the job and states what should be done, but one who follows the employees and see that satisfactory work is accomplished.
3. It being a fact that when one moves from one place to another he has to adjust himself to his environment, and we having adjusted ourselves to the Superintendence of our boss, do feel that if he should be replaced we will have to spend some time in re-adjusting our selves to our new environment which might eventually cause a procrastination in the progress of the work on the eastern end of your operation for a while.
4. If our Petition is favorably considered we want

to assure you all that we will give our boss  
our hearty cooperations in promulgating the  
success of the work down this end.

5. Our further assurances to you all is that even  
if our petition is non considered by your good  
sirs, and we be put under the superintendent-  
ship of a new boss, we will endeavor our utter  
most to give him likewise our cooperations

In conclusion permit us to thank you all in  
advanced and to extend the assurances of our profound  
respects and esteem.

Respectfully submitted

Pruckle

Samuel Snake

J. D. Mason  
D. S. B. B. B. B.

Ben Wathkin

Reece

George Johnson

Momo

Jessie

Robert Kilby

Time Boy #2

Thomas Smith

John Joe

Momo Bie

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noemy;  
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Sopar  
DeLance  
James King  
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Charles Morris  
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Fine Boy his

Fr. M. Tandy  
Chief manager H. G. electro plant  
Line 44

Feb. 9, 1942

Dear Sir:

Having completed the eighth  
grade course, and take four years  
training in the machine department  
I therefore ask you that I may get  
a vacant post.

I think that I can serve you  
to your highest expectation.

I refer you to Mr. B. B. Capfield  
at Booker Washington Institute

I hope that my application will be  
considered.

Respectfully your obedient  
servant

Charles G. Miller

Mr. J. M. Tandy  
Chief manager Hydro plant

James Brown

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100  

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Firestone Plantations Co.

Hydro Electric,

Sept. 30 1942

MR Jandy Sir,

I am writing this few lines of mind to inquire you conclud to let me have my job back. Because I have work with Hydra long time and have no bad complain against me.

so I beg you to help me sir, if you sent to Marshall or any where I will go there,

Just for me to have job sir, I have suffer for hydro too much for me to go without better. I put all the concret in the present of you so have considerat and give me good availble. If the work is no more me one without boys alright.

many thanks

Yours very truly servant

Jalparales Headman

Hydro Power Project.

*[Faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

Mr Zandy  
Chief Engineer  
Hydro # 11

The

Manager

of Hydro Plant

Farmington River

Liberia.

Hydro Electric

June 28th 1942

Liberia.

Sir/

I take this great opportunity to appeal to you my circumstance that is, I have been worked in the company for 6 or 7 years, and I have know complain with any of my superintendents. Even you can ask your nephew Mr. J. D. Waddington about me, on my work line. I can not pleased myself just because I am out of job. It was true mistake between me and my supt Mr. J. H. Menzer and he told me to sat down for 6 six months square and

to-day I see that at the end of  
this month the time will  
finish. so therefore I take the  
name of our Great God to ask  
you that is, I would like very  
much for you to receive me  
since you are the head of all  
of us your honour. Kindly give  
me one more trial I beg you.  
and if you do so I will be much  
appreciate for your kindness and  
hospitality. your honour I have  
w<sup>o</sup>men and children to support  
and since from far away I having  
work up till now and further  
more this is war season we  
can not work any where but here  
along. I hope you will take it  
to consideration. and I should  
like to hear from you with hope.

your honour. I close with best

Sentiment.

Very sincerely yours

truly servant

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his X cross.

By 

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Mr.

Tandy

at office

Hydro Electric

Plant Liberia

Mr. W. Sandy  
Hydro Electric

Dear Sir since I last left Hospital  
to Dr Campbell, fortnight ago, I  
have been trying to walk on  
my legs properly than before.

In view of the above I have  
then written a note to Mr.  
Vipond that I can be able to  
start work at the end of this  
month.

Many thanks for your help  
toward me pay day before last.  
I go no food by now and  
thats the only trouble.

Accept my kind Regards  
in advance.

Yours in bed  
Tommy Moffatt.

Mr. M. Landy  
Hydro Electric

To Mr. G.?

Dear sir,

Having heard from friends that you are a sympathetic person, I therefore thought it is better to lay my application before you for that I may be clerk or an Overseer as I have my picture and Card. I will like to <sup>go</sup> with the manager who's going to Wealar for making mortar Road. I am sure to do my duty to your satisfaction by the help of God.

My Card rate only 1/6)

So my dear bus try and help me. Thanks

I beg to be sir  
Yrs. Alfred Jussu

M.G. ?

Manager Hydro

Bass, Tandy,

I am indeed sorry to  
worry you again for the balance of the  
taches, it suppose to be 280, and I  
received 93 bundles, the balance suppose  
to be a 187 bundles remain.

Please see about it, the people  
give me a much trouble, and I am  
sure that really their huts are leaking.

Again, I think Mr Edward Oversee make  
a order too, but they never show me the  
paper, I did know how many they need?

Yours faithfully, Servant  
J. J. Simpson

Mr. W. F. Tandy,  
At the office

Dakar

September 15.

Dear Tandy,

I have been meaning to write for ages but what with one thing and another I just haven't got round to it. I suppose by now you'll have seen Mr. Watson. He did us Dakar in fine style but unfortunately I wasn't able to help him. Things have been very interesting here, as you may have heard. One amusing thing: - at the time the "Richelieu" was bombed they had a blackout. ~~to~~ Just to be sure it would be a complete one they shut off the power at the station. That was fine except it cut off communication between the G. H. Q. and the defense zone, so not a shot was fired. The F. Emb. for you! For me everything is going along nicely. The old town is rather quiet but we find a good deal to do in a small way. Would love to have a note one day as to what you're doing.

Sincerely

Bill Dunbar

Mr. & Mrs. M.F. Tandy

Firestone