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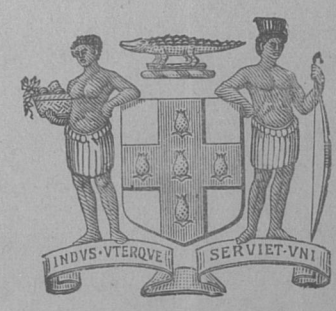
ON THE

IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT

FOR

THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 1917.

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IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT.

Report for the year ended 31st March, 1917.

Immigration Office, Kingston, 23rd June, 1917.

Sir,
I have the honour to submit, for the information of His Excellency the Governor, the following report on the working of the Immigration Department for the financial year ended 31st March, 1917.

I. ARRIVALS.

2. The number of indentured immigrants introduced into the Island during the year was 615 and the particulars are given below:—

Name of Ship	..	..	S. S. "Dewa"
Port from which sailed	..	..	Calcutta
Date of departure	..	..	7th April, 1916.
Date of arrival	..	..	9th June, 1916.
Number embarked at Calcutta	..	..	234 men, 104 women, 19 children = 357
Number embarked at Madras	..	..	168 men, 74 women, 16 children. = 258
Born on voyage	..	..	2 females (Calcuttan).
Died on voyage	..	..	2 men (Madrasi).
Landed	..	..	400 men, 178 women, 37 children. = 615

II. DEPARTURES—RETURN PASSAGES.

3. The following statement shows the number of immigrants who were re-patriated during the year:—

Ship.	Date of Departure.	Port of Destination.	M.	F.	C.
"Ganges"	23rd December, 1916.	Calcutta.	77	37	30
Number who were granted free passages after 10 years			11	5	30
Number who were granted assisted passages after 10 years			40	21	..
Number sent back as unfit for further service			9	6	..
Number sent back who were rejected on their arrival			8	2	..
Number who paid their own passages			9	3	..
			77	37	30

NO information as to how many of these were madrasis

The immigrants arrived at Calcutta on the 16th February, 1917 after a satisfactory voyage. The only death that occurred was that of Baldeo, a certified invalid.

III. CANCELLATION OF INDENTURES.

4. During the year 12 immigrants were released from indenture on account of permanent sickness or infirmity, the Medical Officers having certified that they were physically incapable of performing agricultural labour. The following is a statement showing the diseases from which they suffered:—

Asthma	1	Neuritis	2
Bronchitis	1	Paralysis	1
Chronic Rheumatism	2	Phthisis	1
Imbecility	2	Tuberculosis	1
Muscular Atrophy	1		12

5. Two immigrants commuted their indentures by money payments to their employers in respect of the unexpired periods of their indentured service.

IV. RE-INDENTURES.

6. There were no re-indentures of immigrants under Section 41 of Law 23 of 1879.

V. RESULT OF IMMIGRATION OF FIVE YEARS AGO.

7. The following statement shows the number of immigrants who were under indenture in 1912, the loss through death, release from indenture, or re-patriation and the number remaining in the Colony at the expiration of their indenture:—

	M.	F.	C.
Number of Immigrants	562	224	50
Died	39	17	8
Repatriated	14	5	0
Released from indenture or commuted and not repatriated	17	5	1
Indentured persons remaining at end of five years	492	197	41
Extended days	12	0	0

8. The percentage lost by death, releases and repatriation during the period of indenture was as follows:—

	Period 1912-1917.
Male adults	8.37
Female adults	3.23
Children	1.08
Total	12.68

VI. IMMIGRANT POPULATION.

9. The following shows the estimated East Indian population on the 31st March, 1917:—

Estimated number of East Indians in Jamaica on 1st April, 1916	20,063
Add introduced in 1916-17	615
Add births among indentured immigrants	37
Add estimated births among time expired immigrants	336
	21,051
Deduct repatriated in 1916-17	144
Deduct actual number of deaths among indentured immigrants	37
Deduct estimated number of deaths among time expired immigrants	504
	685
	20,366

VII. VITAL STATISTICS.

10. Detailed statements of births and deaths among the indentured population are attached.

11. The total number of deaths was 37 and of births 37 the percentage of deaths being 1.29 as compared with 1.51 last year. It is satisfactory to record a further diminution of the death rate as compared with previous years.

12. In accordance with the recommendations of the Indian Commissioners, Messrs. Chimman Lal and McNeil that the annual report of the Protector of Immigrants should include a return summarizing the cases under medical treatment on each estate during the year, the Superintending Medical Officer has been good enough to furnish the necessary statistics to enable me to make the required return which is attached.

13. This return shows that the total number of cases treated in public general hospitals was 7,150. Malaria and Phthisis account for the largest number of cases and diseases of the digestive organs occupy a second place in order of prevalence.

14. A comparative statement is given below showing the number of cases of immigrants treated in the public general hospitals for malaria and hookworm during the past five years with the number of cases under treatment on 31st December, 1916.

Hospital.	Admissions 1912.		Admissions 1913.		Admissions 1914.		Admissions 1915.		Admissions 1916.		Number under treatment on 31.3.1916.	
	Mal-aria.	Hook-worm.	Mal-aria.	Hook-worm.	Mal-aria.	Hook-worm.	Mal-aria.	Hook-worm.	Mal-aria.	Hook-worm.	Mal-aria.	Hook-worm.
Morant Bay	81	1	135	3	68	1	93	..	64	1	2	..
Hordley	441	57	672	21	328	40	451	11	239	6	12	1
Port Antonio	1,724	449	812	260	902	187	786	156	331	76	1	1
Buff Bay	282	76	269	246	310	121	147	107	82	22	..	..
Annotto Bay	2,063	299	1,095	127	1,113	169	1,070	135	472	5	14	..
Port Maria	339	61	412	137	211	83	183	42	110	24	3	..
Montego Bay	69	66	103	77	65	112	145	9	105	..	2	..
Sav-la-Mar	357	107	906	50	1,095	29	1,275	25	1,254	35	19	1
Black River	..	..	..	..	11	..	65	35	39	..	..	..
Lionel Town	492	98	356	184	161	73	255	18	462	6	25	..
Spanish Town	118	109	120	220	60	86	19	7	32	2	1	2
Linstead	1	..	7	16	2	8	..	3	3	8	..	..
Totals	5,967	1,323	4,887	1,341	4,326	909	4,489	548	3,193	185	79	5

15. The following statement shows the several causes of death among indentured immigrants during the past year:—

Ascaris Lumbarcoritis	1	Immaturity at birth	1
Bronchitis	3	Malarial Fever	5
Abscess of brain	1	Miscarriage	1
Colitis	2	Malnutrition	1
Cholangitis	1	Marasmus	2
Celuititis	1	Phthisis	6
Dysentery	1	Pneumonia	2
Enteritis	2	Paralysis of bladder	1
Fatty Heart	1	Tuberculosis	2
Vomiting	1	Ulcerate intestine	1
Wounds	1		

16. I am pleased to be able to report that there were no suicides during the year.

VIII. WORK AND WAGES.

17. Detailed statements are attached on which is shown the number of labourers employed on each estate in the Colony, the average earnings of the indentured immigrants, the days worked by each and the time lost by sickness, bad weather, unlawful absence and other causes.

18. The weekly average for the whole island works out as follows:—

			1915-16.	1916-17.
Men	..	..	6/3d.	6/7d.
Women	..	..	4/5d.	4/8d.

19. A great deal of attention has been given to the earnings of indentured immigrants. The average shown above is a considerable improvement on last year's earnings and is the best for the past eight years. If all the immigrants would put energy into their work the results would be even more satisfactory. It is not at all unusual for an indentured immigrant to earn 3/ a day and many, working overtime, earn even more. Instances of good wages earned during the quarter ended 31st March, 1917, are given below:—

No. 41, Ragunath, ex "Chenab" 1913, of Friendship estate, working 71 days earned £11 15s 1½d., or 19/6d., a week.
 No. 293, Mohabir, ex "Chenab" 1913, of Shrewsbury estate working 70 days earned £7 19s 6d., or 13/3d., a week.
 No. 289, Dalloo, ex "Mutlah," 1912, of Paul Island estate, working 71 days earned £7 5s. 8d., or 11/3d., a week.
 No. 342, Nawabdin, ex "Mutlah" 1912, of Frontier estate earned £8 9s. 3d., or 12/10d., a week.
 No. 12, Khamani, ex "Mutlah" 1913, of Golden Vale estate, working 65 days, earned £6 8s. 3d., or 10/10½d., a week.
 No. 382, Kirpa, ex "Mutlah" 1912, of Tom's Hope estate made similar earnings.
 No. 10, Sunderlal, ex "Dewa" 1916, of Monymusk estate working 63 days earned £5 19s 10d., or 10/5½d., a week.
 Among the females whose earnings have also improved, the following are examples:—
 No. 242, Bhagni, ex "Chenab" 1913, of Shrewsbury estate working 69 days earned £4 3s. 8d., or 7/ a week.
 No. 60, Jokanie, ex "Chenab" 1913, of Mesopotamia estate working for 68½ days earned £4 2s. 6d., or 6/10d., a week.
 No. 94, Resam Kuar, ex "Mutlah" 1913, of Meylersfield estate, working 58 days earned £3 8s 3d., or 6/5d., a week.
 No. 70, Sarjudai, ex "Indus" 1913, of Seven Rivers earned £3 5/ or 6/3d., a week.
 No. 326 Apia ex "Dewa" 1916, of Holland, working 66 days earned £4 6s. 8d., or 7/2½ a week.
 No. 121 Sheoraji, ex "Mutlah" 1912, of Fellowship estate, working 59 days, earned £3 11s. 2d., or 6/8d., a week.
 20. The estates on which the best wages were earned during the year were Nutts River, Moreland, and Meylersfield, the average for which were respectively:—

M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
7/4d.	5/3½d.	7/9½d.	5/11½.	7/6½d.	6/8½d.

21. The figures given below show the percentage of working days in the past five years on which immigrants worked and the percentage of days in the same period lost by reason of absence:—

- (a) On account of leave, sickness, bad weather and other lawful causes.
 (b) On account of unlawful absence from work.

	1912-13.		1913-14.		1914-15.		1915-16.		1916-17.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Percentage of days worked ..	69.26	64.26	68.27	65.23	69.68	63.86	65.72	59.33	65.19	61.97
(a) Percentage of days lost on account of leave, etc.	29.19	35.21	29.98	33.81	29.20	35.16	32.50	38.54	32.31	36.41
(b) Percentage of days lost on account of unlawful absence ..	1.55	.53	1.75	.96	1.12	.98	1.77	1.13	2.50	1.62

22. The percentage of days lost on account of sickness only was as follows:—

	Males.	Females.
1911-12 ..	15.42	15.26
1912-13 ..	13.94	15.02
1913-14 ..	15.97	15.36
1914-15 ..	13.20	13.24
1915-16 ..	12.81	13.78
1916-17 ..	12.98	13.71

23. The average cost of living for an immigrant is now about 3/6d., a week. Owing to the war the price of foodstuffs has advanced but the average earnings being 6/7d., for men and 4/8d., for women per week, there is a good margin which can be put up. The deposits in the Government Savings Bank show a satisfactory amount saved by immigrants during the year. To encourage depositors the Interpreters in the several districts are enjoined to attend the Savings Bank every Saturday for the purpose of assisting those who desire to transact business.

IX.—CRIMES AND OFFENCES.

24. An analysis of the cases brought against indentured immigrants for breaches of the Immigration Laws, during the year is given below:—

Statement showing the number of cases brought against indentured immigrants for breaches of the Immigration Laws during the year 1916-17.

	Before the Protector and Inspector of Immigrants.	Before Resident Magistrates.
Number of indentured coolies ..	2,864	2,864
Wilful indolence—Law 23 of 1879, Section 96 (15) ..	46	10
Unlawful absence from work—Law 23 of 1879, Section 95 (15) ..	23	17
Desertion—Law 23 of 1879, Section 95 (16) ..	38	—
Disorderly conduct—Law 23 of 1878, Section 95 (14) ..	7	6
Assault—Law 23 of 1879, Section 95 (14) ..	7	12
Threatening or abusive language—Law 23 of 1879, Section 95 ..	11	4
Drunkenness—Law 23 of 1879, Section 95 (14) ..	—	—
Through negligence, etc., causing employer's property to be damaged—Law 23 of 1879, Section 95 (14) ..	1	—
Unlawfully refusing to perform work assigned—Law 23 of 1879, Section 95 (15) ..	60	6
Breach of Hospital regulation—Law 1 of 1881, Section 1 (2) ..	1	—
Total cases brought against indentured immigrants ..	194	55
Convicted ..	191	55
Dismissed ..	3	—
Percentage of convictions to population ..	6.66	1.92

25. The number of cases of disorderly conduct, threatening and abusive language and assault, punishable by imprisonment was 47 which is only 1.64% of the indentured population.

26. A comparison of the convictions during the past five years given below shows that order and control is maintained without excessive punishment, and that the percentage of convictions has diminished considerably during the last two years.

	1912-13.	1913-14.	1914-15.	1915-16.	1916-17.
Convictions before the Resident Magistrate ..	202	241	343	202	55
Percentage of population ..	4.86	6.02	8.77	6.92	1.92
Convictions before Protector ..	296	398	324	242	191
Percentage of population ..	7.12	9.95	8.28	8.31	6.66

27. The number of cases coming under the head of labour offences was 162, a percentage to population of 5.65. These offences were chiefly wilful and persistent idleness, absence from work and refusal to work.

28. The number of indentured immigrants undergoing sentence on 31st March, 1917, was 23, as follows:—

Wounding with intent to murder ..	1
Larceny ..	4
Felonious wounding with intent to do grievous bodily harm ..	1
Larceny of fowl ..	1
Indecent assault ..	1
Wounding ..	3
Praedial Larceny ..	7
Causing to be taken, poison with intent to murder ..	1
Housebreaking and larceny ..	1
Assault occasioning bodily harm ..	1
Murder ..	1
Manslaughter ..	1
	23

29. Among the more serious crimes and offences committed by immigrants during the year the following may be mentioned:—

Nourdeen an indentured immigrant ex "Mutlah" 1913, of Unity Estate, was convicted in June, 1916, at the Portland circuit for the murder of a seven year old boy. The motive for the crime was not clearly disclosed. Bakkas ex "Ganges" 1908, through jealousy murdered a woman named Masheran of Iter Boreale in St. Mary, who had transferred her affections to another immigrant. In both these cases the jury returned a verdict of wilful murder. Jhangru ex "Dahomey" 1903, was convicted of a similar crime which took place at Gray's Inn, in St. Mary, in December, 1916. Gobin Maharaj also a time expired immigrant was executed in March, 1917, for the murder of an old man named Bhaggot.

30. Karamdeen, ex "Mutlah" 1910, who had not long before completed his indenture was murdered by a man named Monterieffe and his body thrown into a deep cave. The murderer was apprehended and after two trials he was convicted and sentenced to be executed.

31. At Golden Grove in St. Thomas, the body of an indentured East Indian woman, was found in the canal, the head having been partly severed from the body. An indentured immigrant on the property was arrested as he had been last seen in the company of the deceased but at the trial he was acquitted.

32. There were three prosecutions against employers or their servants for assaulting indentured immigrants. In two of these cases the charges were not sustained and in one the employer was convicted and fined.

X.—DESERTIONS AND STRIKES.

33. During the year 17 desertions were reported and steps immediately taken through the Interpreters and Police to trace the absconding immigrants. On the 31st March, 14 had been found and returned to their estates.

34. I regret to report that there were several strikes among the Madrasis in St. Mary. In one case violence was attempted, in the others the immigrants made absurd demands and complaints that were without foundation. A great deal of patience had to be exercised in dealing with these people and I am glad to be able to state that they are now (with a few exceptions) working well.

XI.—NEW LEGISLATION.

35. A Law to make further and better provision with respect to immigrants and to amend the Immigration Protection and Regulation Laws, was passed in April, 1916, (Law 20 of 1916). This Law was, in October, 1916, repealed by Law 40 of 1916, which also provided for payment by instalment of fines for labour offences and the deduction of the same by the employer from wages that may thereafter become due. Further legislation on the subject has been deferred pending the decision of the Indian Government on the proposals submitted by the recent conference held in London.

XII.—ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT.

36. I have to record the diligent attention to duty of all the members of the staff. No applications for leave for more than a day or two were made and the extra time that was required from time to time was given cheerfully. The Interpreter at Annotto Bay, Sundath Maharajh, was dismissed for improper conduct and his place taken by Interpreter Charles Gray, while a new Interpreter, John Jangalee, was appointed to the Port Antonio district.

XIII.—COST OF IMMIGRATION.

37. The following is a statement of the transactions of the Immigration Fund during the year:—

Receipts.			Expenditure.		
	£	s. d.		£	s. d.
Immigration Revenue, Law			Introduction of Immigrants	11,423	5 7½
14 of 1891	10,856	0 10	Immigration Fund Expenditure	2,588	9 8½
Second Term Coolies	1,899	2 0			
Immigrants' Return Passages	212	7 11			
Miscellaneous	94	12 3			
Advance from General Revenue to meet deficit of Fund	949	12 4½			
	14,011	15 4½		14,011	15 4½

Debit Balance of Immigration Fund on 31st March, 1917 .. £1,302 3 0

XIV.—ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES OF DECEASED IMMIGRANTS.

38. During the year the following estates of deceased immigrants were administered by me under Law 22 of 1896, Section 45:—

Number and Name of Immigrant	Ship by which arrived	Amount at credit of estate.	How disposed of.
256 Battami	"Mutlah" 1913 (2)	£1 5 3	Placed to credit of General Revenue.
203 Suraj	"Dewa" 1916	2 0 0	Remitted to heir in India.
246 Rajjab	"Ganges" 1908	15 19 4	Remitted to heir in India.

XV.—DESTITUTE INDIANS.

39. On the 31st March, 1917, there were 206 East Indians in receipt of relief as follows:—

In Alms House	90
In Lunatic Asylum	74
In Industrial Schools	17
Receiving relief from the Immigration Department	25
	206

40. The sum of £164 17s. 4d., was disbursed during the year for the maintenance of orphans and indigent East Indians released from indenture and awaiting repatriation to India, and for other temporary relief. This does not include the relief of aged pauper immigrants who have become a charge on the poor rates in the different parishes according to law.

XVI.—OCCUPATIONS OF FREE INDIANS.

41. There are now about 17,000 free Indians in the Colony the majority of whom are employed in various manual occupations. Among these occupations may be mentioned the following:—Agricultural labourers, Planters, Shopkeepers, Market Gardeners, Traders, itinerant and otherwise, Goldsmiths, Cartmen, Domestic Servants.

There were no less than 334 trade and spirit licenses taken out during the year by East Indians.

XVII.—SETTLEMENT OF FREE INDIANS ON THE LAND.

42. A statement kindly furnished by the Honourable Collector General is attached, showing the value and extent of property owned by East Indian Immigrants in the Island. This statement is only approximate and does not fully represent the true value of the property. It is shown that land owned by East Indians covers over 11,115 acres and consists of 91 holdings. In the parish of St. Mary alone 2,266 acres of land is owned by Indians. I estimate that the accumulated wealth of East Indians in this Island cannot fall short of £120,000. During the year a property in Vere was purchased by an East Indian for the sum of £4,000.

XVIII.—SAVINGS OF IMMIGRANTS.

43. The number of immigrant depositors in the Government Savings Bank on the 31st March, 1917, was 1,244 and the amount at their credit was £13,752. The reduction of the amount at credit compared with last year is largely due to the withdrawals by immigrants repatriated during the year. The immigrants who returned to India by the ship "Ganges" took with them drafts on the Bank of Bengal amounting to £2,368 6s. 6d., and jewellery valued at £526 10/. This represents an average saving per head (exclusive of immigrants returned as destitute and children) of £32 10s. 6d. The largest individual remittance was £697.

44. The following return shows the number of East Indian Immigrants who had deposit accounts in the Government Savings Bank during the past six years for which the figures are available, and the amount at credit:—

Year.	Number of Depositors.	Amount at Deposit.
1911-12	1,239	£15,117
1912-13	1,411	17,536
1913-14	1,547	18,212
1914-15	1,497	17,880
1915-16	1,383	15,700
1916-17	1,244	13,752

45. The amount at deposit shows a falling off on account of the large withdrawals made by returning immigrants during the year.

46. The sum of £122 12s. 0d., was remitted to India by immigrants during the year.

XIX.—EDUCATION.

47. The following statement shows the number of orphans and children of East Indian Immigrants residing at and being cared for in Government Industrial Schools at the close of the financial year:—

At Happy Grove, Portland	12
At Alpha Cottage, Kingston	1
At Industrial School, Stony Hill	6
At Belmont	2
	21

48. The following return furnished by the Honourable Director of Education shows that there were 959 East Indian children attending Government Elementary Schools during the year:—

	Boys.	Girls.
Kingston	56	34
St. Andrew	54	36
St. Thomas	58	35
Portland	49	37
St. Mary	102	60
St. Ann	3	1
Trelawny	6	8
St. James	8	4
Hanover	22	13
Westmoreland	79	61
St. Elizabeth	7	14
Manchester	3	6
Clarendon	68	33
St. Catherine	62	40
	577	382

959

XX.—MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

49. The following is the number of marriages that took place among East Indian immigrants during the year registered under Law 22 of 1896, The Immigrants Marriage, Divorce and Succession Law:—

Marriages performed by Ministers of the Christian Religion	51
Marriages contracted according to Religion and Personal Law	5
	—
	56
	—

The number of marriages registered on the arrival of the S.S. "Dewa" from India, was 48. There were no divorces.

XXI.—GENERAL CONDITION OF THE FREE INDIANS.

50. Owing to the hurricane of August, 1916, the second visitation within 12 months, a large area of banana cultivation was temporarily abandoned and the shipping of fruit of course immediately ceased. Previous to the hurricane there had also been shipping difficulties causing loss to many East Indians who with commendable enterprise had planted largely on leased or purchased land. I was approached by some of these immigrants who for want of employment and from losses suffered were getting into a poor state and at their request submitted to the Government a request to operate Law 20 of 1891, which provides that employers may enter into contracts of service for twelve months with labourers under a bonus system, for the performance of day work or task work according to approved schedules, under the provisions of the Immigration Regulation and Protection Laws. This was approved and indentures were entered into by 77 East Indians who were located on the following estates:—

Amity Hall, Chesterfield, Perrins, Bushy Park, Fort George and Serge Island.

51. The labourers, with the exception of those on Fort George have all settled down to work and are doing well. In one instance a man with his wife and two boys are earning between them 35/ to 40/ a week and will each be entitled to a bonus of £2 within a few months.

52. I regret that for various reasons the labourers sent to Holland, Platfield and Wentworth did not remain any length of time and, delay having taken place in the execution of the indentures, the delinquents could not be treated as deserters and sent back to their estates.

53. When these contracts have expired and other immigrants learn the advantages of the bonus system it will, I hope, be more generally adopted.

53a. A large number of second term coolies applied to me for employment, and were sent to various estates where work was found for them. These immigrants are not eligible for re-indenture under Law 20 of 1891.

XXII. GENERAL REMARKS.

54. Wages.—During the last quarter of the financial year, that is from the 1st January, 1917, and since, there has been a tendency towards the rise of wages especially on the sugar estates and no immigrant need now have cause to grumble if he will exert himself.

55. Rice.—The cultivation of rice has largely increased and remunerative prices are realized by East Indians who are the principal cultivators. 31 acres are now in cultivation against 12 in last year and the area is being further extended.

56. Passports.—During the year a large number of East Indians applied for passports to go to Cuba and 331 were granted under the rules and regulations governing the same. Under the restrictions passed by the Indian Government passports cannot be granted to Indians who have been introduced under the Immigration Laws except under somewhat stringent conditions and I had to refuse permission to a large number of applicants to leave the Island. In spite of this, however, several succeeded in evading the law and left the Island without passports. It is doubtful whether any real benefit is to be gained by East Indians going to Cuba while there is remunerative employment to be had in Jamaica and judging from the published reports of treatment accorded to labourers from Jamaica by the rebels in Cuba the immigrants who were refused passports should now feel some sense of satisfaction.

57. Correspondence.—During the year there were 2,957 letters received and 2,870 despatched, not including circulars and reminders. The immigrants despatched 483 letters through this office and received 241 from their relatives and friends in India.

58. Inspections.—The usual quarterly visits of inspections were paid by the Acting Protector and Inspector of Immigrants and several special visits of enquiry were also necessary owing to strikes and disputes which occurred among the new immigrants.

59. Transfers.—Transfers of 130 indentured immigrants were made during the year. Some of these were interchanges between estates rendered advisable on account of quarrels and other causes. All the indentured immigrants ex "Dewa" at Moreland and Hillside were sent to other estates the employers being desirous of having them removed. For the same reason other employers were found for the immigrants on Grange Hill, Hopewell (Portland), New Hall and Pear Tree Grove (St. Catherine) estates.

60. Advisory Committee.—I have to acknowledge the continued assistance which I have received from the Advisory Committee who have held frequent meetings and the courtesy and consideration which they have extended to me as Secretary. During the year the Honourable L. J. Bertram resigned his position as a member of Committee. The Honourable Sir John Pringle was appointed Chairman and the vacancy was filled by Mr. J. H. Scarlett.

61. Medical Reports.—The treatment of immigrants on estates for trivial ailments, cuts and bruises, continues to be successfully carried out at a great saving of time and money to the labourers as well

as to their employers. The reports of Medical Officers, extracts from which are given below, shows that a satisfactory improvement has taken place in sanitary conditions.

Dr. Bartlett, Morant Bay.—(1) "The sanitary condition of the barracks and their surroundings on the estates under my charge are satisfactory and the health of the coolies has been good on the whole throughout the year. New barracks are being erected at Serge Island.

(2) "Quinine is administered as required. It is not systematically given."

(3) "Latrines conforming to the required type are on all the estates."

Dr. Evans, Golden Grove.—"The sanitary condition of the barracks and their surroundings during the past year has been good except during the rainy seasons in some places. This water however soon dries up and does not constitute a permanent nuisance.

(2) "I understand that quinine is regularly administered."

(3) "All the estates have latrines but they are seldom used. The one at Pera has no overhead covering."

Dr. Moseley, Port Antonio.—(1) "The coolie barracks were damaged by the storm of August and they have only recently been put in repair. The repairs have been carried out in a very thorough manner, and they are now in a better condition than I have ever known them to be. The grounds round the barracks have been kept clean and were in a highly sanitary condition."

(2) "Quinine has been regularly administered to the coolies during the year."

(3) "The latrine system is provided and is effective so far as it can be made, the difficulty experienced is to get the coolies to use them. Over-head covering is furnished on all the latrines on all the estates that I have to do with."

Dr. Gideon, Buff Bay.—"I have to say the sanitary condition of the barracks and their surroundings on the estates under my charge, viz.:—Low Layton, Paradise and Shrewsbury are satisfactory. The barracks are kept clean, proper drainage is provided for, and on the whole the health of the immigrants is good."

"Quinine is not regularly administered to the indentured immigrants."

"No proper latrine system exists on any of the three estates. I am informed by the overseers that the immigrants made no use of them when they did exist and for that reason no latrines are now provided for them."

Dr. Ritchie, Richmond.—"The barracks have all been kept in a good state of repair and the compounds clean and sanitary. Drains have been kept open and no water allowed to collect and remain near the barracks."

"Latrines have been used by the coolies but they still prefer the fields and banana walks to the small sentry boxes which I recommended for their use."

"Quinine is not regularly administered on any of the estates."

Dr. Lecesne, Port Maria.—"Wentworth and Trinity—"All the immigrants on these estates have now completed their first term of indenture so that I no longer visit them. Sanitary condition of barracks however was as usual good throughout the year."

Frontier—Barracks well built and drainage perfect, site ideal. Latrines small moveable structures well made.

"Water supply—Town main."

Brimmer Hall. "Barracks well built on high ground. Drains perfect, no breeding places for mosquitoes. Latrines moveable covered structures well built. Water supply from town main."

Nonsuch, Tremolesworth and Unity.—"These three estates adjoin and are all under same management. Barracks all same type, well built. Drainage and other sanitary conditions around barracks good. No breeding places for mosquitoes. Latrines are moveable covered structures. Good type."

Dr. Campbell, Falmouth.—"Good Hope Pen has been employing second term coolies for the past 6 months."

"Special wooden barracks were erected for them very near the river. No latrine system has been erected, as the management say the coolies will not use the latrines. The barracks are situated on the slope of a hill and well drained."

"Quinine is only given to the immigrants by the property when they complain of fever."

"Latrine system is absent. I have recommended that latrines be put up."

Dr. Thompson, Montego Bay.—"The condition of the barracks of the coolies on Seven Rivers as well as the surroundings have been kept in a sanitary condition during the year 1916-17."

"Quinine is regularly administered in tablet form gr. V weekly to each immigrant."

"The latrines are covered and sanitary."

Dr. Isaacs, Grange Hill.—"Two new coolie barracks have been erected. One at Frome Estate which is completed, one at Paul Island Estate in process of completion."

"Quinine has of late been administered with a fair degree of regularity and all estates have good supplies."

"The latrine system remains well the same as in my last annual report."

Dr. Harvey, Sav-la-Mar.—"The barracks and the surroundings of the barracks on the following estates in my district namely, Shrewsbury, Blue Castle, Meylersfield, Barham and Friendship are satisfactory. It is during the rainy months that trouble usually occurs and that trouble is usually in the shape of blocked drains."

"It is stated that quinine is given regularly to the indentured immigrants."

"The latrine trouble appears to be a hopeless one. The Protector of Immigrants sent me at my request the drawing of a moveable latrine of which I had several copies made, distributing one to each of the estates in my district with the request that the coolies be furnished with latrines made according to the drawing. Not one latrine so far as I know at present has been made according to the drawing and most estates have no latrine at all."

Dr. Johnston, Black River.—"The barracks and surroundings are clean and the general sanitary condition good."

"Yes. Quinine is administered."

"Latrine system good, with over-head covering but much difficulty is experienced in getting the immigrants to use it. Holland is the only estate in this district."

Dr. J. H. Clarke, Alley.—"The sanitary condition of the barracks has been improved and the compounds are kept clean. The latrines are seldom used by the coolies."

"Quinine is regularly administered to the indentured immigrants on the estates."

"The pit latrine system is used on all the estates in this district and has been improved on since the last year. There is overhead covering on all the latrines."

Dr. Peck, Spanish Town.—"The barracks in which coolies in my district are accommodated are in fair order and sanitary."

"Quinine has been regularly administered to those who take it."

"The latrine system is carried out with a trench which is kept clean and overhead covering."

Dr. L. M. Clark, Linstead.—"The sanitary condition of the barracks and their surroundings on the estates under my charge has been satisfactory."

"Quinine has been regularly administered except on Worthy Park."

"No attention has been paid to the erection of proper latrines. They are absent at Hyde, Riversdale, and Worthy Park."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

F. N. ISAACS,

Acting Protector of Immigrants.

The Honourable
The Colonial Secretary.
Kingston.

Return showing the particulars of property owned by East Indian Immigrants in the several Parishes of the Island during the year 1916-17.

Parish.	Licenses.				Value of property	Extent in acres.	Live Stock.			Probable value of Stock.	Remarks.
	Trade.	Spirit.	Gun.	Petroleum.			Horsekind.	Cows.	Asses.		
					£	Holdings.				£	
Kingston	..	..	..	1	5,152	91	11	..	..	..	
St. Andrew	..	..	..	..	1,200	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	5	4	3	100	
St. Thomas	57	17	11	..	13,255	2,072 $\frac{3}{4}$	..	113	..	1,106	
Portland	37	2	3	8	5,929	798 $\frac{1}{2}$	42	101	6	1,168	99 houses on rented lands valued at £1,169 in Port Antonio and Manchioneal Divisions, 18 wheels at 6/, 20 wheels at 15/.
St. Mary	50	12	11	41	13,400	2,266	150	164	32	2,373	38 wheels at 6/, 20 wheels at 15/.
St. Ann	..	..	..	..	170	22 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	..	..	..	
Trelawny	14	2	..	..	2,351	1,600 $\frac{1}{2}$	24	30	4	428	10 wheels at 6/, 20 at 15/, 1 bicycle at 6/7.
St. James	5	..	..	5	833	150 $\frac{1}{2}$	3	..	2	31	2 wheels at 6/, 2 wheels at 15/.
Hanover	8	..	3	..	2,181	452	70	25	40	850	
Westmoreland	45	3	10	..	471	420 $\frac{1}{4}$	162	90	15	920	Darlington—only 1 East Indian on toll.
St. Elizabeth	7	2	..	..	1,340	479	15	53	6	365	
Manchester	..	..	..	..	362	84 $\frac{1}{4}$	..	..	..	..	
Clarendon	41	6	19	..	5,924	1,174	199	..	37	68	
St. Catherine	18	8	18	..	7,055	1,565 $\frac{1}{4}$	42	2	18	403	
	282	52	76	54	59,623	11,115 $\frac{1}{4}$	723	582	163	7,812	99 houses on rented lands at £1,169, 68 wheels at 6/, 42 at 15/, 1 bicycle at 6/7.

Return showing the number of Deaths and Births from 1st April, 1916, to 9th May, 1916, amongst Immigrants who arrived in Jamaica during 1911.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture.	Number alive at expiration of indenture.
Platfield	..	St. Mary	23	..	..	..	..	..	23
Koningsberg	..	"	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Hopewell	..	"	18	..	..	..	..	..	18
Cape Clear	..	"	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Tremolesworth	..	"	13	..	..	..	..	..	13
Nonsuch	..	"	16	..	..	..	..	..	16
Orange Hill	..	"	18	..	..	..	..	..	18
Chovey and Agualta Vale	..	"	44	..	..	..	..	..	44
Newry	..	"	23	..	..	..	..	..	23
Upper Fort Stewart	..	"	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Green Castle	..	"	6	..	..	..	..	..	6
Nutfield	..	"	21	..	..	..	..	..	21
Brimmer Hall	..	"	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Trinity	..	"	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Rosend	..	"	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Iter Boreale	..	"	29	..	..	..	..	..	29
Charlottenburgh	..	"	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Frontier	..	"	18	..	..	..	..	..	18
Fellowship	..	Portland	24	..	..	..	..	..	24
Windsor	..	"	46	..	..	..	..	..	46
Tom's Hope	..	"	21	..	..	..	..	..	21
Paradise	..	"	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Mount Pleasant	..	"	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Cold Harbour	..	"	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Grange Hill	..	"	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Bog	..	Clarendon	26	..	..	..	..	..	26
Moreland	..	"	29	..	..	..	..	..	29
Moneymusk	..	"	43	..	..	..	..	..	43
Belvidere	..	St. Thomas	21	..	..	..	..	..	21
Brown's Gully	..	"	8	..	..	..	..	..	8
Golden Grove	..	"	38	..	..	..	..	..	38
Duckenfield	..	"	17	..	..	..	..	..	17
Rhine	..	"	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Lyssons	..	"	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Providence	..	St. James	24	..	..	..	..	..	24
New Hope	..	Westmoreland	28	..	..	..	..	..	28
Shrewsbury	..	"	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Blair Pen	..	St. Catherine	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Holland	..	St. Elizabeth	33	..	..	..	..	..	33
			714	..	..	..	..	..	714

Return showing the number of Deaths and Births from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917, amongst Immigrants who arrived in Jamaica, during 1912.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture.	Number indentured on 31st March, 1917.
Tremolesworth ..	"Ganges," 1912.	St. Mary	8	..	..	..	..	..	8
Brimmer Hall ..		"	16	2	1	..	..	..	15
Hopewell ..		"	11	..	..	..	..	1	10
Trinity ..		"	16	..	..	..	..	1	15
Nonsuch ..		"	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Upper Fort Stewart ..		"	18	1	..	..	..	..	17
Lower Fort Stewart ..		"	17	..	..	..	..	..	17
Koningsberg ..		"	8	..	..	..	..	..	8
Cape Clear ..		"	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Fort George ..		"	31	1	..	..	..	(a) 29	27
Gray's Inn ..		"	29	1	..	..	..	1	27
Esher ..		"	19	..	..	..	..	..	19
Water Valley ..		"	21	..	..	..	..	..	21
Wentworth ..		"	6	..	..	..	..	..	6
Burlington ..		Portland	9	..	1	..	..	..	10
Golden Vale ..		"	34	1	..	..	..	..	33
Williamsfield ..		"	22	..	1	..	..	..	23
Fellowship ..		"	10	..	1	..	..	..	(b) 18
Red Hassell ..		"	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Windsor ..		"	31	2	..	..	..	..	29
Paradise ..		"	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Golden Grove ..		St. Thomas	24	..	..	..	..	..	24
Pear Tree Grove ..		St. Catherine	7	..	..	..	..	..	(b) —
Worthy Park ..		"	13	..	..	..	..	..	13
Rose Hall ..		St. James	1	..	..	..	..	..	(a) 2
			380	8	4	2.11	1.05	3	373

(a) 1 transferred from Fort George to Rose Hall.

(b) 7 transferred from Pear Tree Grove to Fellowship.

Return showing the number of Deaths and Births from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917, amongst Immigrants who arrived in Jamaica during 1912.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture.	Number indentured on 31st March, 1917.
Orange Hill ..	"Mutlah," 1912.	St. Mary	6	..	..	..	..	..	6
Newry ..		"	21	..	..	..	..	..	21
Green Castle ..		"	25	..	..	..	..	..	25
Sheerness ..		"	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Nutfield ..		"	27	..	..	..	..	1	26
Fort Stewart ..		"	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Gray's Inn ..		"	8	..	..	..	..	..	8
Frontier ..		"	11	1	..	..	..	..	10
Platfield ..		"	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Wentworth ..		"	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Fort George ..		"	1	..	..	..	..	..	(a) 2
Friendship ..		Westmoreland	36	1	1	..	..	..	36
Fontabelle ..		"	19	..	..	..	..	1	(b) 15
Frome ..		"	20	..	..	..	..	..	(b) 21
Belleisle ..		"	17	..	..	..	..	..	(c) —
Paul Island ..		"	—	..	..	..	..	..	(b) 19
Rose Hall ..		"	30	..	1	..	..	..	(a) 30
Moreland and Hillside ..		Clarendon	6	..	..	..	..	..	6
Golden Grove ..		St. Thomas	21	..	..	..	..	..	21
Pera ..		"	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Windsor ..		Portland	26	1	..	..	..	..	25
Unity Valley ..		"	16	..	..	..	..	..	16
Tom's Hope ..		"	19	..	..	..	..	..	19
Red Hassell ..		"	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
Fellowship ..		"	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Golden Vale ..		"	19	..	2	..	..	..	21
Paradise ..		"	26	..	..	..	..	..	26
Williamsfield ..		"	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Worthy Park ..		St. Catherine	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
			405	3	4	.74	.99	2	404

(a) 1 transferred from Rose Hall to Fort George.

(b) 2 transferred from Fontabelle to Paul Island and 1 to Frome.

(c) 17 transferred from Belleisle to Paul Island

Return showing the number of Deaths and Births from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917, amongst Immigrants who arrived in Jamaica during 1913.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Releasee from indenture.	Number indentured on 1st March, 1917.
Green Castle	"Indus" 1913.	St. Mary	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Agualta Vale		"	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Newry		"	11	..	..	..	..	1	10
Orange Hill		"	16	..	..	..	..	..	16
Nutfield		"	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Fort George		"	11	..	..	..	..	..	11
Gray's Inn		"	18	..	..	..	..	..	18
Windsor		Portland	39	1	1	..	..	..	(a) 40
Fellowship		"	2	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 22
Bound Brook		"	0	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 29
Williamsfield		"	—	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 3
Cold Harbour		"	8	..	1	..	..	..	9
Golden Vale		"	—	..	..	..	..	..	(d) 10
Mone musk		Clarendon	24	2	..	..	..	..	22
Moreland		"	22	1	1	..	..	..	(a) 23
Hyde		St. Catherine	7	..	..	..	..	..	7
New Hall		"	4	..	..	..	..	..	(d) —
Golde Grove		St. Thomas	21	2	..	..	..	..	19
Pelvidere		"	13	..	..	..	..	1	12
Duckenfield		"	2	..	..	..	..	..	2
Rhine		"	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Shrewsbury		Westmoreland	23	..	1	..	..	..	24
Seven Rivers		St. James	31	..	1	..	..	..	32
			345	6	5	1.74	1.45	2	342

- (a) 1 transferred from Bound Brook to Windsor.
 (b) 1 transferred from New Hall to Moreland.
 (c) 3 transferred from Fellowship to Williamsfield.
 (d) 13 transferred from New Hall to Fellowship and 10 to Golden Vale.

Return showing the number of Deaths and Births from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917, amongst Immigrants who arrived in Jamaica during 1913.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture.	Number indentured on 31st March, 1917.
Friendship	"Mutlah" 1913 (1)	Westmoreland	20	..	..	..	..	..	20
Belleisle		"	6	..	..	..	..	..	6
Frome		"	16	..	..	..	..	1	(a) 13
Fontabelle		"	14	..	..	..	..	1	13
Paul Island		"	24	2	..	..	..	..	(a) 24
Retrieve		"	20	..	1	..	..	..	21
Blue Castle		"	16	..	1	..	..	..	(b) 15
Coleraine		St. Mary	20	1	..	..	..	..	19
Iter Boreale		"	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Golden Vale		Portland	17	1	..	..	..	..	16
Tom's Hope		"	16	..	1	..	..	..	17
Windsor		"	—	..	..	..	..	..	(b) 2
Western Potosi		St. Thomas	11	..	..	..	..	..	11
Eastern Potosi		"	10	1	1	..	..	..	10
Duckenfield		"	20	1	..	..	..	1	18
Riversdale		St. Catherine	11	..	..	..	..	..	11
			235	6	4	2.55	1.70	3	230

- (a) 2 transferred from Frome to Paul Island.
 (b) 2 transferred from Blue Castle to Windsor.

Return showing the number of Deaths and Births, from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917, amongst Immigrants, who arrived in Jamaica during, 1913.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture.	Number indentured on 31st March, 1917.
Retrieve	“Chenab,” 1913.	Westmoreland	30	..	1	..	..	..	31
Mylersfield		“	45	..	2	..	..	..	47
Belleisle		“	42	..	1	..	..	1	42
Paul Island		“	11	..	1	..	..	..	12
Frome		“	19	..	..	..	..	..	19
Fontabelle		“	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Shrewsbury		“	32	1	..	..	..	..	31
Blue Castle		“	24	1	..	..	..	..	(a) 25
Mount Eagle		“	21	..	..	..	..	..	21
Friendship		“	32	..	2	..	..	..	34
Mesopotamia		“	22	..	2	..	..	..	24
Frontier		St. Mary	23	..	..	..	..	..	22
Fort George			“	12	..	..	..	..	12
Iter Boreale			“	13	..	..	..	..	13
Chovey			“	21	..	..	..	1	20
Sheerness			“	10	..	..	..	..	10
Coleraine		“	20	..	..	..	..	..	20
Agualta Vale			“	20	..	..	..	..	20
Paradise			Portland	7	..	..	..	..	7
Windsor				“	4	..	..	..	(a) 22
Fellowship				“	8	..	..	..	8
Williamsfield		“	11	..	..	..	..	11	
Burlington			“	1	..	..	..	1	
Grange Hill			“	19	..	..	..	(a) —	
Cold Harbour			“	1	..	..	..	1	
Golden Grove			St. Thomas	27	1	..	..	..	(b) 25
Mount Olive		St. Catherine	10	..	..	..	..	10	
Rio Magno			“	10	..	..	..	..	10
			509	3	9	·59	1·77	3	512

- (a) 17 transferred from Grange Hill to Windsor, and 2 to Blue Castle.
 (b) 1 transferred from Golden Grove to Windsor.

Return showing the number of Deaths and Births from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917, amongst Immigrants who arrived in Jamaica, during 1913.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture.	Number indentured on 31st March, 1915.
Platfield	“Mutlah,” 1913. (2).	St. Mary	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Rosend		“	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Nonsuch		“	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Tremolesworth ..		“	8	..	..	..	..	..	8
Unity		“	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Upper Fort Stewart		“	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Lower Fort Stewart		“	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Brimmer Hall ..		“	14	..	..	..	..	..	14
Sheerness		“	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Williamsfield ..		Portland	19	..	..	..	..	..	19
Fellowship		“	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Windsor		“	25	..	1	..	..	..	26
Golden Vale		“	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Unity Valley		“	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Pera		St. Thomas	17	..	..	..	..	..	17
Nutts River		“	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Lyssons		“	9	..	..	..	..	..	9
Latium		St. James	10	..	..	..	..	..	10
Retrieve		Westmoreland	26	..	..	..	..	..	26
Meylersfield		“	49	..	3	..	..	..	52
Holland		St. Elizabeth	1	..	1	..	..	..	1
				276	—	4	—	1·45	—

Table showing the number of Deaths and Births, from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917, amongst Immigrants, who arrived in Jamaica during 1916.

Estate.	Ship.	Parish.	Number indentured on 26th June 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture.	Number indentured on 31st March, 1917.
Iter Boreale	"Dewa," 1916.	St. Mary	12	..	..	..	..	..	12
Water Valley		"	13	1	..	..	..	(a) (e) 14	
Gray's Inn		"	21	1	..	..	..	20	
Nonsuch		"	35	..	..	..	..	35	
Upper Fort Stewart		"	35	1	..	..	..	34	
Chovey		"	41	..	..	..	..	41	
Rosend		"	29	..	..	..	..	29	
Bog		Clarendon	30	2	..	..	..	28	
Moneymusk		"	44	1	..	..	1	42	
Hillside		"	16	..	..	..	..	(c) —	
Amity Hall		"	22	..	..	..	1	(e) 22	
Pusey Hall		"	15	1	..	..	..	14	
Moreland		"	20	..	..	..	..	(d) —	
Chesterfield Perrins		"	20	1	..	..	1	18	
Blue Castle		Westmoreland	28	1	..	..	..	27	
Meylersfield		"	36	..	..	..	..	(e) 32	
Retrieve		"	30	..	1	..	..	31	
Shrewsbury		"	21	..	1	..	..	22	
Paul Island		"	20	..	..	..	..	20	
Belleisle		"	15	..	1	..	..	16	
Frome		"	12	1	1	..	..	12	
Fontabelle		"	12	..	2	..	..	14	
Ri Magno		St. Catherine	15	..	..	..	..	15	
Blair Pen		"	10	..	..	..	..	10	
Mount Olive		"	—	..	..	..	..	(c) 16	
Hig gate		"	—	..	..	..	1	(d) 19	
Potosi		St. Thomas	10	..	..	..	..	10	
Holland		St. Elizabeth	19	1	..	..	..	18	
Low Layton		Portland	12	..	..	..	..	12	
Windsor		"	—	..	..	..	..	(a) 1	
Hopewell		"	8	..	..	..	..	(b) —	
Rose Hall		St. James	—	..	1	1	..	9	
			601	11	7	1·83	1·16	4	593

- (a) 1 transferred from Water Valley to Windsor.
 (b) 8 transferred from Hopewell to Rose Hall.
 (c) 16 transferred from Hillside to Mount Olive.
 (d) 20 transferred from Moreland to Highgate.
 (e) 4 transferred from Meylersfield—3 to Water Valley and 1 to Amity Hall.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Deaths and Births amongst Indentured Immigrants, in Jamaica, from 1st April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917

Year when introduced.	Number indentured on 1st April, 1916.	Deaths.	Births.	Percentage of Deaths.	Percentage of Births.	Released from indenture	Number indentured on 31st March, 1917.
(1) 1911-1912 ..	714	—	—	..	..	—	(a) —
(2) 1912-13 ..	1,874	26	16	..	..	13	1,861
(3) 1913-14 ..	276	—	4	..	..	—	280
(4) 1916-1917 ..	(b) —	11	7	..	..	4	593
	2,864	37	37	1·29	1·29	17	2,734

(a) Indentures expired in May, 1916.

(b) 601 arrived and indentured in June, 1916.

(1) Indus 1911—714.

(2) Ganges, 1912—373. Mutlah, 1912—404. Indus 1913—342. Mutlah 1913 (1)—230. Chenab 1913—312.

(3) Mutlah—1913 (2)—280.

(4) Dewa 1916—593.

STATEMENT OF WORK AND

Parish.	Plantation.	Employer.	PERCENTAGE OF							
			Mean number of labourers employed.	Worked by		Lost by				
				each.		Unlawful absence.		Absence with leave.		
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
St. Mary	Green Castle	Hon. Sir John Pringle	19	8	72.13	56.38	.84	.44	10.14	14.96
	Coleraine	do	22	10	56.85	63.30	10.25	.82	8.79	15.54
	Chovey	do	28	14	63.41	68.69	1.71	.36	8.83	9.76
	Agualta Vale	do	19	9	57.94	64.85	3.71	..	9.72	12.00
	Cape Clear	do	8	3	50.88	52.49	6.91	..	10.98	14.50
	Koningsberg	do	6	4	47.21	59.86	3.24	..	7.45	8.55
	Hopewell	do	7	3	67.52	78.65	1.10	..	12.59	7.59
	Tremolesworth	do	11	3	76.75	65.06	..	..	7.46	18.91
	Brimmer Hall	do	19	7	57.29	54.72	1.63	1.39	12.45	26.78
	Trinity	do	10	3	75.76	31.32	8.14	..	7.95	37.5
	Nutfield	do	20	8	72.06	74.31	1.75	.25	10.04	12.60
	Nonsuch	do	25	12	69.35	69.31	3.33	3.15	9.11	9.45
	Newry	do	22	12	73.42	74.68	.66	.21	9.18	12.47
	Orange Hill	do	14	7	45.60	66.78	7.82	5.72	6.22	9.78
	Upper Fort Stewart	do	29	12	59.34	54.80	1.99	2.61	8.75	12.35
	Lower Fort Stewart	do	18	7	56.97	59.12	.12	..	8.40	8.24
	Sheerness	do	16	9	69.55	67.11	.08	1.73	8.45	14.40
	Unity	do	10	4	74.39	64.26	.77	..	8.29	14.99
	Rosend	do	18	7	50.85	51.03	1.84	1.70	11.52	16.41
	Esher	A. C. Westmoreland	14	5	69.08	74.02	2.98	3.03	7.78	10.05
	Fort George	do	33	13	64.53	60.86	.70	..	9.37	17.17
	Water Valley	Est. C. E. Isaacs	17	7	67.58	73.74	3.39	1.39	9.45	14.48
	Gray's Inn	Elmslies Grays Inn Est. Ltd.	42	15	60.23	64.99	2.77	.13	9.77	11.79
	Wentworth	United Fruit Co.	11	5	66.36	57.31	.76	..	14.77	31.86
	Platfield	do	9	3	66.74	50.04	.28	.53	9.83	34.57
	Frontier	Administrator General	24	9	64.36	68.34	3.55	1.89	18.70	18.94
	Iter Boreale	E. E. C. Hosack	20	9	57.90	52.93	.26	1.83	7.48	11.66
	Highgate	Lindo Bros. & Co.	13	5	62.29	60.70	3.40	2.05	18.55	16.54
Portland	Golden Vale	United Fruit Co.	49	22	70.77	59.27	1.80	..	16.34	25.29
	Windsor	do	75	31	64.12	54.00	5.19	4.95	12.95	21.60
	Tom's Hope	do	24	7	72.46	62.63	3.74	.50	14.18	35.78
	Stanton and Fellowship	do	30	14	66.00	66.70	1.05	..	15.50	21.35
	Paradise	do	25	10	71.86	73.24	1.04	..	10.23	13.19
	Unity Valley	do	14	4	73.54	67.15	..	4.01	16.09	12.57
	Red Hassell	do	6	3	65.59	75.72	7.27	..	14.21	19.01
	Williamsfield	do	36	11	65.78	63.12	.29	.15	12.39	20.67
	Burlington	Mrs. E. A. Miller	6	2	67.84	61.38	..	..	12.62	12.51
	Cold Harbour	J. H. Baker	7	2	74.45	70.09	.38	..	12.43	23.26
	Bound Brook	United Fruit Co.	22	7	81.59	77.53	.05	..	9.02	14.06
	Low Layton*	E. B. Hopkins	8	4	64.13	66.83	..	..	10.18	9.94
	Grange Hill*	L. G. Harrison	12	6	74.28	71.74	..	..	10.87	10.27
Clarendon	Moneymusk	Lindo Bros & Co.	30	11	67.29	64.12	5.77	6.49	13.41	16.78
	Moreland and Hillside	Vere Estates Co., Ltd.	14	9	74.02	69.66	1.03	.69	12.68	18.71
	Bog*	Alfred Pawsey	19	9	44.61	57.17	..	..	8.03	10.84
	Amity Hall*	H. W. Mitchell	17	6	61.78	50.17	.04	..	11.27	9.79
	Chesterfield Perrins*	A. W. Farquharson & Mil-	12	6	63.16	71.69	.27	1.18	12.22	16.35
	Pusey Hall*	D. B. Callaghan and J. C. Elliott	10	4	76.58	71.47	..	.16	7.90	11.22
Westmoreland	Belleisle and Paul Island	Belleisle Estates Co., Ltd.	82	28	67.82	58.09	.74	.29	9.70	18.83
	Frome	do	35	18	64.73	54.39	.83	.52	8.97	11.45
	Fontabelle	do	34	18	65.38	58.32	1.38	.07	11.09	16.16
	Friendship	C. S. Farquharson	56	20	57.69	50.93	1.01	2.02	9.23	10.98
	New Hope	John Hudson	17	7	68.55	71.14	2.32	.05	7.46	7.74
	Shrewsbury	S. E. Morris	43	17	74.15	66.16	.78	.25	10.67	18.61
	Blue Castle	do	34	12	61.80	58.79	.53	.64	10.95	16.62
	Retrieve	John Hudson	46	17	68.42	63.60	.63	.74	8.21	9.98
	Meylersfield	Meylersfield Estates Co.	73	27	60.21	53.58	1.82	.29	14.31	23.49
	Mesopotamia	Misses Chrisabel Nash and Mary Elizabeth Nash	13	6	76.52	64.21	1.14	.05	13.09	21.16
	Mount Eagle	E. R. F. Burgess	13	6	55.54	50.43	7.24	..	23.70	33.73

* 2 Quarters only for the immigrants ex Dewa 1916.

WAGES, SUMMARY FOR 1916-1917.

WORKING DAYS.										AVERAGE EARNINGS.			
each by										Per working day.		Per day actually worked.	
Court.		Gaol.		Sickness.		Bad weather.		Holiday.					
#													
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
										s.	d.	s.	d.
...	...	2.21	1.13	7.57	20.02	6.17	6.07	.94	1.00	0	8½	0	4½
.46	.25	4.54	...	10.02	10.24	8.03	8.88	1.06	.97	0	7½	0	4
.02	.55	2.98	.97	15.06	10.94	6.72	7.76	1.27	.97	0	8	0	6
...	...	4.28	1.92	15.80	11.99	7.52	8.12	1.03	1.12	0	6½	0	5½
.11	...	3.34	...	12.32	16.27	14.22	15.59	1.24	1.15	0	6½	0	5½
...	...	8.29	...	13.43	5.66	19.28	15.01	1.10	.92	0	7½	0	6
...	...	...	...	10.39	4.28	7.24	5.12	1.16	4.38	0	8½	0	7½
...	...	8.74	...	2.49	12.98	3.12	2.08	1.44	.97	1	1½	0	4½
.66	.29	12.81	.32	11.06	12.60	2.82	2.81	1.28	1.17	0	8½	0	4½
...	...	.96	...	5.30	30.01	.66	...	1.23	1.16	0	10	0	2½
.13	...	1.56	...	8.98	6.47	4.39	5.35	1.09	1.02	0	8½	0	6
.05	...	5.50	.52	7.71	12.95	3.92	3.58	1.03	1.04	0	10½	0	5½
...	...	3.88	...	8.59	6.85	3.09	4.69	1.18	1.00	0	10½	0	6½
.56	...	24.19	.29	10.77	8.02	4.13	8.17	.71	1.24	0	5½	0	6
.04	.06	1.10	...	18.17	21.18	9.51	8.39	1.10	.61	0	6½	0	4½
.02	...	.86	...	26.19	25.04	6.47	6.63	.97	.97	0	6	0	4½
.04	...	7.37	.29	5.11	7.50	8.11	7.57	1.29	1.40	0	8	0	4½
.03	...	1.02	...	11.93	17.95	2.05	1.44	1.52	1.36	0	11	0	4½
.14	...	5.79	.85	22.47	22.36	5.94	5.79	1.45	1.86	0	5½	0	3½
.53	.19	5.29	...	9.52	7.20	3.69	4.21	1.14	1.30	0	8½	0	6½
.22	.12	2.21	...	17.13	15.86	4.57	4.83	1.26	1.16	0	7½	0	4½
.21	.10	4.79	...	11.81	7.63	1.60	1.78	1.17	.88	0	8½	0	6½
.19	.03	2.37	...	19.43	16.80	3.98	5.06	1.26	1.20	0	7½	0	6½
.23	.26	5.56	...	9.93	8.33	1.31	1.28	1.08	.96	0	7½	0	4½
...	...	1.00	...	12.96	6.27	8.12	7.50	1.07	1.09	0	7½	0	4
.84	.03	2.21	...	4.08	4.24	5.08	5.41	1.18	1.15	0	9½	0	7½
...	...	.82	1.35	19.46	20.28	12.84	11.25	1.24	.70	0	7½	0	4
...	...	...	...	6.52	12.05	7.97	7.41	1.27	1.25	0	9	0	7½
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	.58	...	4.11	8.72	5.08	5.25	1.32	1.47	1	0	0	6
.05	.44	...	...	9.55	11.99	6.50	6.25	1.25	1.16	0	8	0	5½
...	.11	...	2.15	6.12	6.26	1.90	1.77	1.60	.80	0	10½	0	6
...	...	...	...	11.23	6.25	4.50	4.62	1.72	1.08	0	9½	0	7½
...	...	...	...	8.90	5.88	6.73	6.57	1.24	1.12	0	9	0	7½
...	...	1.37	1.93	2.79	8.44	4.99	4.89	1.22	1.01	0	9½	0	6½
...	...	5.18	...	5.11	2.66	1.66	1.52	.98	1.09	0	9½	0	7
.11	.03	1.44	...	10.75	6.92	8.08	7.93	1.16	1.18	0	8	0	7
.16	...	2.46	...	10.78	14.62	4.87	10.20	1.27	1.29	0	8	0	4½
...	...	2.29	.96	8.65	3.44	.72	1.19	1.08	1.06	0	9½	0	5½
.03	...	.26	...	4.05	2.48	3.75	4.60	1.25	1.33	0	10½	0	7½
...	...	...	...	15.86	12.34	8.66	9.61	1.17	1.28	0	6½	0	5
...	...	...	...	10.53	13.56	3.57	3.68	.75	.75	0	8½	0	5½
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	.29	...	11.97	11.67	.24	.20	1.03	.72	0	9½	0	7½
...	...	1.26	...	8.84	9.12	.93	.84	1.24	.98	1	1	0	9½
...	...	.02	.07	46.19	29.61	.48	1.21	.69	1.10	0	6	0	5
...	...	...	...	23.74	37.24	1.97	1.58	1.20	1.22	0	9½	0	5½
...	...	...	.43	21.38	6.72	1.86	2.35	1.11	1.28	0	9	0	6½
...	...	...	...	13.50	14.58	.76	1.44	1.24	1.13	0	11½	0	7½
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
.02	.06	1.09	.02	17.50	20.19	1.59	1.55	1.54	.97	0	9	0	5½
...	...	...	...	21.72	30.57	2.54	1.65	1.21	1.42	0	8	0	4½
...	...	...	...	18.94	22.49	2.14	1.89	1.07	1.07	0	8	0	5½
.08	.16	1.07	...	18.35	25.26	11.54	9.90	1.03	.75	0	7½	0	4½
.45	...	1.09	...	16.47	17.54	2.17	2.24	1.49	1.29	0	8½	0	6½
.02	...	.08	...	11.58	12.26	1.53	1.43	1.19	1.29	0	10½	0	7
.22	.08	1.69	...	15.59	14.40	6.76	7.85	2.46	1.62	0	8½	0	5
.01	...	.57	...	18.28	22.52	2.04	2.22	1.84	.94	0	8	0	5½
.32	.42	2.24	.06	19.02	19.78	.96	1.26	1.12	1.12	0	10	0	8
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	1.21	...	5.18	12.29	1.43	1.28	1.23	1.01	1	0½	0	6½
...	...	1.30	...	5.25	9.46	5.25	5.29	1.69	1.09	0	9½	0	4½

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							Unlawful absence.		Absence with leave.	
			M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
St. Thomas	Phillipsfield	United Fruit Co.	13	3	63.89	62.24	5.26	.36	8.51	14.13
	Golden Grove	do	45	22	75.20	66.09	1.71	3.87	8.03	13.56
	Belvidere	J. H. Baker	9	3	63.18	46.15	.58		20.57	41.70
	Duckenfield	Thomson Hankey & Co.	15	5	63.89	66.81	.35	.13	8.05	16.53
	Eastern Potosi	J. Hamilton	7	3	66.53	73.16			12.80	14.39
	Western Potosi	V. A. Michelin	10	5	70.38	64.42		1.39	11.00	16.71
	Pera	Hon. Sir John Pringle	13	3	55.49	50.84	3.97	.43	12.49	16.48
	Nutt's River	W. T. Lannaman	7	3	63.64	63.52			8.76	8.53
	Lyssons	Hope & Co.	6	3	74.62	73.73			10.05	8.87
St. Catherine	New Hall*	New Hall Co.	16	5	54.29	60.58	19.86	7.18	11.21	19.67
	Riversdale	A. R. McIntosh	7	3	68.54	41.07	2.35	9.31	7.29	7.31
	Pear Tree Grove†	E. A. Fouche	6	1	42.95	72.22	33.33		7.47	6.94
	Blair Pen*	C. G. Hudson	7	3	57.34	67.52	2.93		7.51	8.78
	Hyde	J. H. Baker	3	2	74.95	35.88	.12	51.53	15.61	8.14
	Worthy Park	J. V. Calder	13	5	71.11	66.16	.59		12.30	19.35
	Mount Olive	P. V. Lindo	12	5	64.12	49.91	1.77	1.91	7.41	19.62
	Rio Magno	C. A. DeLisser, Rosalie McNish	12	5	56.03	54.89	2.68		8.34	13.30
St. James	Cinnamon Hill	Northern Estates Co., Ltd.	23	10	72.19	62.93	.79		11.25	24.23
	Seven Rivers	F. H. DeLisser	19	8	69.02	68.84	.04		7.90	9.22
	Latium	W. Fletcher and F. H. DeLisser	7	2	60.24	46.74			14.04	12.23
St. Elisabeth*	Holland	W. N. C. Farquharson	14	6	65.86	69.18	1.06		13.77	14.31

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Court.		Gaol.		Sickness.		Bad weather.		Holiday.		M.	F.	M.	F.
M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.				
..	..	1.32	..	15.72	17.72	4.16	4.38	1.14	1.17	0 8½	0 5½	1 1½	0 9
.18	.13	1.29	..	7.64	9.33	4.61	4.51	1.34	2.51	0 8½	0 5½	0 11½	0 8½
.14	..	.68	..	11.95	7.42	1.78	3.37	1.12	1.36	0 11½	0 6	1 4	1 2½
.11	.07	3.99	..	19.74	12.58	2.79	2.55	1.08	1.33	0 8	0 6½	1 0½	0 9½
.05	..	2.70	..	10.40	4.67	6.27	6.71	1.25	1.16	0 8	0 5	1 0	0 9½
.06	..	.45	..	12.29	10.99	5.00	5.56	.82	.93	0 8½	0 5½	1 0½	1 0
..	..	3.19	..	15.92	21.05	7.98	10.05	.96	1.15	0 6½	0 4	1 0	0 7½
.05	.11	..	..	21.70	21.32	4.54	5.24	1.31	1.28	0 11½	0 7½	1 4	0 11½
..	..	1.67	..	11.64	14.73	.92	1.49	1.10	1.18	1 1	0 6	1 2½	0 8½
..	..	.72	..	11.74	9.57	.91	1.79	1.27	1.21	0 6½	0 4½	0 11½	0 9½
.17	..	.14	1.28	16.96	58.35	3.36	1.60	1.19	1.08	0 8	0 3	0 11½	0 9½
..	..	..	..	3.64	..	11.75	19.44	.86	1.40	0 5½	0 4	1 0	0 9½
..	..	..	..	24.81	16.45	6.13	6.00	1.28	1.25	0 7½	0 5½	0 10½	0 8
.09	..	..	.46	4.22	1.60	3.68	1.64	1.33	.75	0 11½	0 3½	1 3½	0 9
1.38	..	.83	..	5.49	6.50	6.67	6.38	1.63	1.61	0 8	0 7½	0 11½	0 11½
..	..	.21	.54	12.14	16.29	13.21	10.87	1.14	.86	0 8½	0 3½	1 1½	0 9½
.12	..	..	..	24.84	23.05	6.77	7.58	1.22	1.17	0 8	0 5	1 2½	0 9½
..	..	1.24	..	11.11	9.51	2.39	2.22	1.03	1.11	0 10	0 6½	1 1½	0 10½
..	..	..	..	12.03	10.58	9.77	10.09	1.24	1.27	0 9½	0 7	1 1½	0 10½
..	..	..	..	20.22	36.76	4.19	3.14	1.31	1.14	0 9½	0 2	1 3½	1 4½
..	..	..	2.13	15.08	12.40	3.02	.86	1.21	1.12	0 8½	0 7	1 1	0 10½

Return of Diseases and Deaths among Indentured Immigrants, showing the number of Cases on each

Parish. Medical District. Estate.	Population on 31.3.1917.			Deaths.		Malaria.		Pneumonia.		Phthisis.		Enteric Fever.		
	Men.	Women.	Total.	Cases of	Per cent. of to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	
ST. THOMAS PARISH—														
Plantain Garden River District—	12	4	16	..	..	12	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	
Pera	15	6	21	1	4.80	41	1	4.80	..	..	..	..	..	
Duckenfield	14	6	20	..	..	18	..	..	1	1.50	4	3	4.50	
Phillipsfield	44	23	67	4	6.00	58	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	
Golden Grove	20	10	30	..	..	36	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	
Potosi	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total	105	49	154	5	3.30	165	1	0.07	7	1	0.07	4	3	2.00
Morant Bay District—														
Nutt's River	7	3	10	..	..	18	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	
Belvidere	9	3	12	..	..	27	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	
Lyssons	6	3	9	..	..	28	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total	22	9	31	..	..	73	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	
PORTLAND PARISH—														
Port Antonio District—	14	4	18	..	1.50	11	..	2	..	2	..	2	..	
Unity Valley	98	43	141	2	1.50	127	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Windsor	28	7	35	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Tom's Hope	55	26	81	..	..	62	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Golden Vale	37	21	58	..	..	43	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Fellowship and Stanton	36	14	50	..	..	46	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Williamsfield	6	3	9	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Red Hassell	7	2	9	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Cold Harbour	6	1	7	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Burlington	18	10	28	..	..	28	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Bound Brook	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total	205	131	436	2	0.05	348	..	2	..	2	..	2	..	
Buff Bay District—														
Paradise	25	12	37	1	2.70	41	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	
Low Layton	8	4	12	..	..	26	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total	33	16	49	1	2.00	67	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	
ST. MARY PARISH—														
Annotto Bay District—	54	37	91	..	..	60	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	
Chovey	21	9	30	..	..	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Aqualta Vale	22	10	32	..	..	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Coleraine	16	6	22	..	..	25	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	
Orange Hill	20	10	30	..	..	24	..	..	..	3	1	2.6	..	
Nuttfield	22	16	38	1	2.6	32	..	1.80	..	1	1	1.80	..	
Newry	37	18	55	3	5.5	43	1	4.0	..	..	..	..	..	
Upper Fort Stewart	18	8	26	1	4.0	19	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	
Lower Fort Stewart	23	7	30	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Green Castle	22	8	30	..	..	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Water Valley	28	10	38	..	..	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Rosend	24	12	36	..	..	71	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	
Iter Boreale	49	24	73	1	1.30	70	1	1.30	..	4	..	..	..	
Gray's Inn	35	14	49	..	..	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Fort George	17	7	24	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Sheerness	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total	408	196	604	6	0.99	500	3	0.50	..	13	2	0.35	..	
Port Maria District—														
Nonsuch	37	18	55	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	
Tremolesworth	12	2	14	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Trinity	10	3	13	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Brimmer Hall	20	7	27	2	7.40	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Wentworth	11	5	16	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Frontier	22	11	33	2	6.06	6	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	
Unity	10	4	14	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total	122	50	172	4	2.32	46	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	

Estate in the several Medical Districts of the Island, during the year ended 31st March, 1917.

Diarrhœa.			Dysentery. *			Enteritis.			Ankylostomiasis.			Debility.			Accident.			Other Causes.			Total Cases, etc.		
Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Total Cases.	Total Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths to Population.
2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	39	..	..	53	..	..	53	..	..
3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	58	..	..	101	..	..	101	..	..
1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	49	..	..	68	..	..	68	..	..
6	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	95	..	..	165	..	..	165	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	48	..	..	87	..	..	87	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	289	..	..	474	5	3.30	474	5	3.30
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	29	..	..	48	..	..	48	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	37	..	..	66	..	..	66	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	39	..	..	39	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	75	..	..	153	..	..	153	..	..
6	..	..	25	1	0.08	15	..	..	..	..	..	33	..	..	1	1	0.08	13	..	..	13	..	..
3	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	34	..	..	213	2	1.50	213	2	1.50
..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	8	..	..	56	..	..	56	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	6	..	..	86	..	..	86	..	..
..	..	..	2	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	13	..	..	19	..	..	76	..	..	76	..	..
..	..	..	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	89	..	..	89	..	..
..	..	..	2	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	32	..	..	32	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	3	..	..	40	..	..	40	..	..
9	..	..	32	1	0.3	72	..	..	..	..	..	68	..	..	2	..	..	8	..	..	8	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	..	..	34	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	6	..	..	83	1	0.3	647	2	0.05	647	2	0.05
..	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	42	..	0.3	134	1	2.70	134	1	2.70
..	..	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	125	1	2.70	80	..	2.80	80	..	2.80
1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	62	..	..	62	..	..
2	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	30	..	..
1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	..	25	..	..
4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	..	25	..	..
3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	1.80	27	..	..	27	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	1	2.60	41	1	2.60
..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	1.80	49	3	5.50	49	3	5.50
..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	1	4.00	20	1	4.00
2	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	17	..	..
1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	23	..	..
5	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	23	..	..	23	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	75	..	..	75	..	..
26	..	..	3	..	..	5	..	..	1	..	..	9	..	..	1	..	..	74	1	1.30	74	1	1.30
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	..	..	53	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	12	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	70	..	..	104	..	..	104	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	9	..	..	9	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	25	..	..	30	..	..	30	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	31	2	7.40	45	2	7.40	45	2	7.40
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	17	..	..	24	..	..	24	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Return of Diseases and Deaths among Indentured Immigrants, showing the number of cases on each

Parish. Medical District. Estate.	Population on 31.3.1917.			Deaths.		Malaria.		Pneumonia.		Phthisis.		Enteric. Fever.	
	Men.	Women.	Total.	Cases of	Per cent. of, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from, to Population.
Richmond District—													
Cape Clear ..	7	2	9	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Koningsbergh ..	6	3	9	..	..	21	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Hopewell ..	7	3	10	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Platfield ..	9	3	12	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Esher ..	14	6	20	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Highgate ..	13	7	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	56	24	80	..	..	90	..	..	..	2	..	1	..
St. JAMES PARISH—													
Montego Bay District—													
Rose Hall ..	26	12	38	..	..	21	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Latium ..	7	2	9	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Seven Rivers ..	19	10	29	..	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	52	24	76	..	..	31	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
WESTMORELAND PARISH—													
Savanna-la-Mar District—													
Shrewsbury ..	47	24	71	..	..	117	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
Friendship ..	55	23	78	2	2.3	136	1	1.2	..	1	..	..	..
Meyersfield ..	85	39	124	..	..	141	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Blue Castle ..	46	20	66	3	4.6	100	1	1.4	..	..	..	..	..
Mesopotamia ..	13	7	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	246	113	359	5	1.50	494	2	0.60	..	2	..	..	..
Little London District—													
Retrieve ..	53	24	77	..	..	103	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
New Hope ..	17	7	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	70	31	101	..	..	103	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Grange Hill District—													
Fontabelle ..	34	24	58	..	..	89	..	..	..	1	..	1	..
Frome ..	38	21	59	2	3.4	49	..	1	..	1	1.8	..	..
Belleisle ..	36	18	54	..	..	63	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Paul Island ..	55	23	78	2	2.6	..	..	2	2	2.6	..	..	..
Mount Eagle ..	13	6	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	176	92	268	4	1.6	201	..	3	2	0.80	1	1	0.40
St. ELIZABETH PARISH—													
Black River District—													
Holland ..	14	6	20	..	..	26	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
Total ..	14	6	20	..	..	26	..	..	..	2	..	..	..
CLARENDON PARISH—													
Alley District—													
Pusey Hall ..	10	4	14	1	7.0	34	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Moneymusk ..	44	24	68	3	4.40	187	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chesterfield, Perrins	13	6	19	1	5.10	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bog ..	19	11	30	2	6.20	81	1	3.10	..	..	..	..	..
Moreland ..	2	4	6	..	..	94	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hillside ..	12	7	19	1	5.10	28	1	5.10	..	..	..	..	..
Amit ..	15	6	21	..	..	93	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	115	62	177	8	4.60	565	2	1.20	..	..	..	..	..

Estate in the several Medical Districts of the Island, during the year ended 31st March, 1917.

Diarrhoea.	Dysentery.	Enteritis.	Ankylostomiasis.	Debility.	Accident.	Other Causes.	Total Causes, etc.	
							Total Cases.	Per cent. of Deaths to Population.
Cases of	Deaths from, Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from, Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from, Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from, Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Per cent. of Deaths to Population.
1	1	1	1	1	1	16	27	..
1	1	1	1	1	1	6	12	..
1	1	1	1	1	1	48	86	..
1	1	1	1	1	1	69	114	..
1	1	1	1	1	1	32	63	..
1	1	1	1	1	1	32	49	..
1	2	5	34	1	12	203	351	..
2	2	..	..	..	2	19	46	..
2	2	..	..	..	1	23	26	..
2	2	..	..	..	3	8	16	..
2	2	..	..	..	3	50	88	..
4	2	..	2	..	4	225	353	..
29	2	..	2	..	6	224	401	..
71	..	..	5	1	28	529	784	1.2
11	..	..	4	1	9	149	274	3.1
115	2	..	13	2	47	1,127	1,812	0.90
9	..	..	..	..	9	118	239	..
9	..	..	..	..	9	118	239	..
23	..	..	..	..	3	166	282	..
24	..	..	..	..	6	166	251	1.8
1	1	..	4	..	5	221	292	..
48	1	..	4	..	14	553	827	0.40
1	1	..	..	..	3	42	74	..
1	1	..	..	..	3	42	74	..
1	1	1	7.0	..	..	76	36	1
11	1	..	4	1	..	167	299	3
3	..	..	1	..	..	38	221	1
3	..	..	1	..	..	34	134	2
3	..	..	1	..	..	70	107	1
3	..	..	1	..	..	65	166	..
1	1	0.60	6	1	49	448	1,098	3.00

Return of Diseases and Deaths, among Indentured Immigrants, showing the number of cases on each

Parish. Medical District. Estate.	Population on 31.3.1917.			Deaths.		Malaria.		Pneumonia.		Phthisis.		Enteric Fever.		
	Men.	Women.	Total.	Cases of	Per cent. of, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.
Linstead District—														
Riversdale	7	3	10	..	..	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Worthy Park	13	6	19	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rio Magno	18	7	25	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hyde	3	2	5	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mount Olive.. .. .	17	9	26	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	58	27	85	..	..	45	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..
RE-CAPITULATION— PARISHES—														
St. Thomas	127	58	185	6	3.24	238	1	..	9	1	0.70	4	3	2.10
Portland	338	147	485	6	1.24	415	2	0.40	2	..	..	2	3	..
St. Mary	586	270	856	14	1.64	636	3	0.40	..	..	..	16	2	0.20
St. James	52	23	75	..	..	41	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..
Westmoreland	492	236	718	7	0.97	798	2	..	2	1	0.14	3	1	0.10
St. Elizabeth	14	6	20	..	..	26	..	1.20	..	..	..	2	..	..
Clarendon	115	62	177	8	4.52	565	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Catherine	65	30	95	..	..	56	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..
Totals	1,789	832	2,261	41	1.56	2,975	10	0.40	11	2	0.08	28	6	0.30
														0.08

NOTE.—In making up their returns the D.M.O's. have evidently included under Malaria some cases of second term immigrants. Of the 10 deaths from this cause shown on this return only 5 were among indentured immigrants.

Estate in the several Medical Districts of the Island during the year ended 31st March, 1917.

Diorrhœa,			Dysentery			Enteritis.			Ankylosta- miasis.			Debility.			Accident.			Other Causes.			Total Cases, etc.		
Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Cases of	Deaths from	Per cent. of Deaths from, to Population.	Total Cases.	Total Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths to Population.
6	..	..	32	1	0.20	5	1	0.60	72	..	..	79	..	..	364	..	..	129	2	0.40	627	6	3.24
3	..	..	6	..	..	5	..	..	49	..	..	35	..	..	371	8	0.80	371	8	0.80	1,365	14	1.24
2	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	50	..	..	50	..	..	98	..	..
172	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	2	..	..	70	4	0.40	1,798	4	0.40	2,865	7	0.97
24	..	..	2	..	..	1	1	0.60	6	..	..	3	..	..	42	..	..	42	..	..	74	..	..
3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	11	..	..	49	5	3.0	448	5	3.0	1,096	8	4.52
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Jamaica Emigration Report

From the East of India no 249.D. & 9.11.17

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The annual report of the Jamaica Immigration Department for the year 1916-1917 is Submitted. The Salient points are noticed below.

2. Arrivals and Population.

Out of a total of 615 persons who landed in the Colony during 1916-17, 258 were from Madras. The total number of Indian Immigrants in Jamaica on the 31st March 1917 was 20,366, against 20,063 on the Corresponding day of 1916. The number of indentured immigrants on the last day of the year under report was 2734.

3. Vital Statistics. The per-

centage of deaths has ~~fallen~~ fallen from 1.51 in 1915-16 to 1.29 in 1916-17. The statistics appended to para 14

para 9, p 2 of report.

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para 11, p 3 of report

p 3 of the report

of the report would seem to show that attacks of malaria and hookworm diseases are less frequent than in previous years. It is satisfactory to note that there were no suicides during the year.

para 18, p 3 of the report

4. Wages and Savings. The weekly average wages ^{for} during the island were 68, 7d per man and 48, 8d per woman. The average cost of living ^{for an immigrant} being ~~only~~ 3s 6d a week, there is a good margin for savings.

para 23, p 4 of report

The immigrants (both male and female) seem to have lost ^{about} ~~more~~ 35% of the total number of days in the year on account of leave and un-^{had} lawful absence. 1244 immigrants ~~had~~ £13,752) at their credit in the East Savings Bank during 1916-17. Corresponding figures for 1915-16 were 1388 persons & £15,700. The falling off of the amount was due to the large withdrawals made by returning immigrants. The amount admitted (by immigrants) to India was ~~only~~ £122. 12s. as against £111-6-8 in 1915-16.

para 44, p 7 of report.

p 46 ibid

5. Offences and Punishments. There were 249 prosecutions of indentured

para 24, p 5 of report.

Para 2, p 2 of notes to (K)

Para 27, p 5 of report.

Para 3, p 3 of notes to (K)

Para 32, p 6 of report.

Para 33 & 34 ibid.

Para 35. ibid.

immigrants during the year (against 451 during 1915-16), all but 3 of which ended in conviction. The number of Cases under "labour offences" (i.e. idleness, absence from, and refusal to, work) was

162, a percentage ~~100~~ to population of 5.65 (the corresponding ^{number} ~~of cases~~ for 1915-16 was 8.34)

There were also 3 prosecutions against employers or their servants for assaulting indentured immigrants, in one of which the employer was convicted and fined.

6. Desertions and Strikes. There were several cases of strikes among Madrasis. It is not known in how many of the 17 desertions which occurred ^{were concerned} did the Madrasis ~~take part~~. The immigrants are now reported to be working well.

7. The Govt of Jamaica have deferred all legislation ^{on the subject of} ~~pending the~~ the recovery of fines for labour offences ~~in~~ ^{the} decision of the Govt of India on the proposals submitted by ^{the} ~~the~~ Conference recently held in London. The Govt of India have not yet passed order on these proposals which are still

under reference to Local Governments
It is presumed that the Govt of India
will insist on the total abolition of
imprisonment as a punishment for
labour offences in all the Colonies
which recruit Indian labour.

8. Condition of Free Indians. There

para 41, 17 of report

are about 17,000 free Indians in the
Colony, ^{the} majority of whom are employed
in various manual occupations. The
land owned by these free Indians
covers over 11,115 acres, consisting of
91 holdings. The accumulated
wealth of the East Indians cannot
fall short of £120,000.

para 42 'ibid

para 48 'ibid

959 East Indian children (577
boys and 382 girls) were receiving
education at the Govt Elementary
Schools in the Colony. 206 destitute
East Indians received relief in
Alms house, Lunatic Asylum and
Industrial Schools &c

para 39, 16 of report

9. The Condition of the Indians
in Jamaica seem to be satisfactory
on the whole. A draft order

According the report is only for approval.

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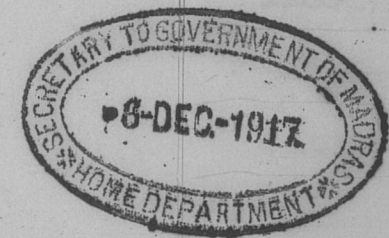
S. The conditions

Appear rather more
Satisfactory than those shown
in the last report. It is a
 pity that we have no
figures to show Madras is.
In the absence of this
the do not seem any
special remarks to be made

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