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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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20th July 1866.

No. 109. Read the following letter from the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 30th June 1866, No. 111.

I have the honor to submit the result of an inspection made by me, of the Mauritius Emigration Depot.

2. This is the only Emigration Depot in Madras now open.

On the day of my inspection, there were 486 Emigrants waiting to embark for the Mauritius. Their departure was delayed by the appearance of cholera among the Emigrants.

3. The proper course to be adopted to meet outbreaks of cholera among intending Emigrants while at the Depot, forms the subject of a separate letter to Government of this day's date, and I need not again discuss the question. My remarks in this report will only refer to the condition and requirements of this Depot under ordinary circumstances.

4. I wish to bring to the notice of the Government that the accommodation provided is insufficient for the numbers that are occasionally, as shown on the day

	Length.	Breadth.	Height.	Superficial area.	Cubical area.	Number sleeping in each shed.
No. 1 Shed...	100	20	8½	2,000	17,000	100
No. 2 do. ...	120	20	8½	2,400	20,400	120
No. 3 do. ...	100	20	8½	2,000	17,000	100

of my inspection, congregated at the Mauritius Depot. This accommodation consists of three sheds, of the dimensions marginally noted.

5. These, considering that there are no side-walls, and that the occupants seldom occupy the sheds except at night,

are capable of accommodating 128 persons, allowing each occupant the moderate superficial space of 50 square feet and 425 cubical space; as stated above, there were on the day of inspection 486 Emigrants.

6. It is, therefore, very necessary that increased accommodation should be provided at the Mauritius Emigration Depot, or that the numbers received into the Depot at any one time should not exceed 128.

7. When the large number of Emigrants, I found at Depot, are congregated in these sheds at night, there is much over-crowding, and the deficiency of superficial area is injurious to the health of the Emigrants.

8. The Hospital accommodation in *ordinary times*, (for I do not here allude to the occasional outbreaks of epidemic disease, for which special separate accommodation is required,) is defective.

There is no separate Hospital accommodation for female patients.

Births are not unfrequent at the Emigration Depot, and a separate ward for female patients is certainly necessary.

9. The flooring of one of the sleeping sheds was of asphalte well laid, and could easily be kept clean. A similar flooring should be laid down in the other two existing sheds, and in those other sheds required to afford the necessary accommodation for the Emigrants during the season when they reach the maximum number.

The Depot was throughout very clean.

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20th July 1866.*

No. 110. ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1866, No. 728.

Communicated to the Protector of Emigrants, who will take immediate measures to prevent Emigrants being crowded together in such an objectionable and dangerous manner, and will also attend to the other necessary improvements suggested by the Sanitary Commissioner. A female ward should be provided without delay.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Protector of Emigrants.
,, Sanitary Commissioner.

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The Sanitary Commissioner
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The Chief Secretary to
Government
Public Department
Fort St. George

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by the Sanitary Commissioner
of the Mainwaring Emigra-
tion Depot.

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Com to the Protector of Emigrants

who will take immediate mea-
sures to prevent emigrants being
crowded together in back and st.
partitioned and damp rooms

in summer, and will also attend

W.O.V. to the other necessary improve-
ments suggested by the ~~President~~
of the Sanitary Com^{tee}. A female
ward should be provided without
delay.

J.B.S.

To the Protector of Emigrants
& Sanitary Commission } despatch