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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
19th July 1867.*

No. 199. Read the following letter from the President of the Municipal Commission, Salem Town, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Salem, 12th July 1867, No. 44.

As the Municipal Commissioners of Salem are short of funds, I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for drawing a moiety (viz., Rupees 2900) of the Government contribution for the current year.

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No. 200. ORDER THEREON, 19th July 1867, No. 865.

The Government are not prepared to sanction prepayment of one-half of the estimated Government contribution.

2. Rules will shortly be published for regulating the manner and time of payment of the contribution of Government to Municipal Funds.

3. Meanwhile, the Government direct that, as a special case, a sum equal to one-quarter of the estimated Government contribution be placed at the disposal of the Commissioners.

(True Extract).

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Salem.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

N^o 44

Municipal Commissioners Office
Salem 12 July 1867

From

L. N. Pachin Esq.
President of the
Municipal Commissioners
Salem Town

To

Honourable A. J. Arbutnot
Chief Secretary
to Government

Sir,

As the Municipal Commissioners
of Salem are short of funds, I have the
honor to request the sanction of Government
for drawing a moiety (viz Rs 2900) of
the Government contributions for the current
year

I have the
honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant

P. H. Pachin.

President of the
Municipal Commission
Salem Town

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Mr. Fred. Andrews

Hamish & Co. Ltd.
Edinburgh

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
St. George.

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I am writing to you
to request the
donation of a, or more, of
the Society of Friends
and the Society of Friends
for the Universal Peace
the Salem Friends

with an order.

Wm

The President of the Mun. Commission.

Salmon. Sept 24/7

The Government are not prepared to sanction the payment of one half of the estimated Government contribution.

1. Bills will shortly be published for regulating the manner and time of payment of the estimated Government Municipal Funds.

3. Meanwhile, the Government direct that, as a special case, a sum equal hereunder of the estimated Government contribution, be placed at the disposal of the Commission.

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28th August 1866.

No. 172. Read the following letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Simla, 30th July 1866, No. 3192.

Home Department, Public.

I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of Fort Saint George, a copy of a communication, dated the 30th of April last, from Her Majesty's Acting Consul for the Island of Réunion, submitting the Annual Report for 1865 of the immigration of British Indians into that Colony.

From Her Britannic Majesty's Acting Consul for the Island of Réunion, to the Secretary to the Government of India; dated the 30th April 1866.

I have the honor to submit to you the Annual Report of the immigration of British Indians to this Colony during the year 1865, which I regret is not more complete; this is due to my having been in office but two months during the year to which it refers, and having been just put in possession of the statistics necessary to complete it.

From official documents supplied to this office, it appears that the number of Immigrants who arrived in this Island from India during the year 1865 amounted to 1565, of all ages and sexes, and were despatched from the undermentioned ports, on board the undernamed vessels :—

Ships.	Whence.	Number embarked.	Deaths.		Total arrived.
			Sea.	Lazaret.	
<i>Sigisbert Caesar</i> ...	Calcutta...	460	14	...	446
<i>Suger</i>	Madras and Yanam...	334	1	...	333
<i>Reaumur</i> ...	Pondicherry and Karikal...	468	...	1	467
<i>Suger</i>	Ditto.	319	...	...	319
	Total.....	1,581	15	1	1,565

The *Sigisbert Caesar* arrived in 1864, but too late to be included in Mr. Consul Hill's report for that year.

The mortality on board of the *Sigisbert Caesar* from Calcutta appears great, compared to that on board of the other vessels, and may be accounted for by the greater length of the voyage,—eight of the number who died were children.

Mortality at sea.

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The annexed Table, and Appendix marked A., taken from official Returns sent to the Consulate, show the mortality amongst the Indians during the year 1865 :—

Districts.	1865.			1864.	1863.	1862.	1861.
	Calcutta.	Malabars.	Total.				
St. André ...	10	1	11	8	31	88	No deaths reported, except those on boardship.
„ Benoit ...	46	25	71	26	52	151	
„ Denis ...	69	21	90	33	33	172	
Gde. Chaloupe ...	3	...	3	12	3	...	
St. Joseph ...	4	...	4	5	4	5	
„ Lew ...	45	2	47	11	28	26	
„ Louis ...	11	1	12	10	24	15	
Ste. Marie ...	42	11	53	16	36	44	
St. Paul ...	48	5	53	20	26	32	
„ Philippe ...	12	10	22	12	15	49	
„ Pierre ...	18	7	25	12	26	85	
Possession ...	6	2	8	2	9	...	
Ste. Rose ...	29	38	67	19	38	71	
„ Suzanne ...	14	12	26	14	29	87	
Total...	357	135	492	200	354	825	

From the above it will be seen that the mortality is more than double that of the previous year. I find it recorded that a number of deaths occurred during the first quarter of the year amongst the newly arrived Indians per *Shaw Allum*, *Eastern Empire*, and *Sigisbert Caesar*, from what was termed Bombay fever. This fever, of whatever nature, assumed a contagious character, and was not confined to the coolies of the vessels bringing it, but became diffused through the districts to which these men were distributed, attacking old Immigrants and Creoles; and even Europeans fell victims. Having no other information on the subject, I am obliged to ascribe the high rate of mortality to this outbreak alone.

During the year 1865, 105 complaints were made to this Consulate, and appear to have been of the usual character, viz., non-payment of wages, and ill-treatment. Of the well-founded complaints, the majority were, as in previous years, for arrears of wages, which, more than ever, is to be attributed to the deplorable financial condition of the Planters; but, as orders have been issued that, for the future, wages are not to be in arrears more than three months, it is to be hoped that complaints of this description will be less frequent.

Births.

I beg to annex Table showing the births during the year—see Table B :—

B.

Districts.	1865.	1864.	1863.	1862.	1861.
St. André ...	3	3	3	...	No Returns of Births sent to this Office in 1861.
„ Benoit ...	3	3	4	2	
„ Denis ...	7	7	8	3	
Gde. Chaloupe ...	...	...	...	...	
St. Joseph ...	1	1	...	1	
„ Lew ...	7	7	3	...	
„ Louis ...	...	...	3	2	
Ste. Marie ...	6	6	3	6	
St. Paul ...	4	4	5	2	
„ Philippe ...	...	...	...	...	
„ Pierre ...	...	...	...	...	
Possession ...	2	2	3	...	
Ste. Rose ...	10	10	1	...	
„ Suzanne ...	4	4	5	...	
Total...	47	47	38	16	

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During the year, 120 Indians, who arrived before the Convention of 1860, have been sent back to their country, on the termination of their industrial engagements, and for other causes—

Return Immigrants.

79 were males ;
12 „ females ;
29 „ children ;

Total... 120.

Besides the above, 74 Indians proceeded to Mauritius on their own account.

This number is very small, compared with that of the previous year (559), and I am at a loss to account for it, except that ships are not always to be had at the expiration of the Indian's engagement, and that he is almost of necessity obliged to re-engage if his departure is delayed long after its expiration; and, with the present great demand for laborers, he, in many cases, receives a bonus to induce him to remain.

I subjoin a statement of all Indians who actually arrived, and were distributed in the Colony, since the Convention of 1860 :—

1861 ...	Calcutta...	6370
1862 ...	Calcutta and Malabars	4407
1863 ...	„ „	2888
1864 ...	„ „	3877
1865 ...	Calcutta...	446
	Malabars...	1119
	Total.....	1565
		19,107

It will be seen from the above that the Indian immigration has decreased considerably during the last year, which may be partly accounted for by the total stoppage of immigration from Calcutta to this place, and the demand for coolies on the Madras side,—wages being at a higher rate there than here.

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District.	Calcutta.												Malabars.													
	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Saint André...	...	1	...	2	1	...	1	1	1	1	...	2	10	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
„ Benoit...	8	15	8	1	3	...	2	...	2	2	...	5	46	...	21	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	25
„ Denis...	40	9	6	...	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	...	69	...	...	11	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	21
Gde. Chaloupe...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Joseph...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
„ Lew...	3	4	8	2	4	1	3	7	3	2	5	3	45	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2
„ Louis...	1	1	2	...	3	2	...	...	1	1	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ste. Marie...	4	7	13	1	4	...	2	2	1	4	2	2	42	...	3	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	11
St. Paul...	2	7	2	2	1	9	8	3	4	3	3	4	48	...	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	5
„ Philippe...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2	...	2	5	...	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	2	2	...	10
„ Pierre...	1	...	1	1	5	...	3	3	2	2	...	...	18	...	...	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Ste. Rose...	2	4	2	1	1	...	3	5	6	3	1	1	29	...	1	...	5	1	6	5	9	6	1	3	...	38
„ Suzanne...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	3	4	4	...	1	14	...	2	...	3	2	1	1	...	...	...	3	...	12
Possession...	...	3	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Total...	61	51	44	13	30	14	27	27	26	27	19	18	357	7	27	29	16	4	10	7	15	6	3	9	2	135

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No. 173. ORDER THEREON, 28th August 1866, No. 865.

Copy forwarded to the Protector of Emigrants and to the Collectors of the several Districts.

(True Extract).

J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Protector of Emigrants.
" Collector of

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Arthur...

the Govt of India

No 3192.

From, C. P. Howell, Esqre
Under Secy: to the Govt of India
To, The Secy: to the Government of
Fort Saint George

Dated Simla, 30. July 1886

Home Dept
Public

Sir, I am directed to forward
for the information of the
Government of Fort Saint George
a copy of a communication,
dated the 30th of April last,
from Her Majesty's Acting
Consul for the Island of Réunion
submitting the Annual Report
for 1885 of the immigration
of British Indians into the
Colony.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt servt

Arthur H. Hall

Under Secy: to the Govt of India

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Secretary of State

Home Dept

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Forward Annual Reports
of the Council for Revision
of the Immigration of
British Subjects into the
Colony during 1885.

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to the Protector of Emigrants
and to the Collector of the same

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