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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
30th January 1866.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 100. From the Colonial Secretary at Natal, to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Natal, 22nd September 1865.

I am directed by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government to request that you would be kind enough to appoint an Emigration Agent for this Government at Madras, vacant by the resignation of Mr. H. Burton, with the expression of His Excellency's desire, however, that the preference may be given to Mr. G. F. Gahan who formerly acted as our Agent in the event of his being willing to accept it without Coolie Agencies for other Governments, and of his being also in a position to furnish proper security for public moneys in his custody.

2. His Excellency has pleasure in confirming, in the meanwhile, the interim transfer by Mr. Burton to Mr. Gahan of the Coolie Agency for this Government, and of the arrangements proposed in regard to the money transactions of the Agency.

Referred to the Protector of Emigrants for report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
1st December 1865.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 101. From the Colonial Secretary at Natal, to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Natal, 27th September 1865.

Referring to my letter, dated 22nd instant, on the appointment of an Emigration Agent for this Colony at Madras, vice Mr. Burton resigned, I am directed by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government to request that on the appointment being made you will be pleased to hand over to the Officer so appointed the enclosed letter of credit for drawing on the Crown Agents for the Colonies, England, such sums as may be required to meet the expenses connected with this Agency, not to exceed the sum of £2000.

2. I am further to request that you will have the kindness, in the filling up permanently of this appointment, to notify the full name of the holder and forward his autograph signature to the Crown Agents for the Colonies, London, for their information and guidance.

3. The proceedings of your Government, under date 20th June, relative to this Agency are requested to continue in force until the permanent appointment is made by you.

From the Colonial Secretary at Natal, to the Coolie Emigration Agent for the Natal Government, Madras ; dated Natal, 2nd October 1865.

I am directed by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government to authorize you to draw in the usual manner on the Crown Agents for the Colonies, London, for such sums as you may require in connection with your Agency in procuring and forwarding coolies for this Government, not to exceed in the aggregate the sum of two thousand Pounds Sterling.

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30th January 1866.*

No. 102. From the Protector of Emigrants, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 15th December 1865, No. 43.

I have the honor, in returning the letter from the Colonial Secretary, Natal, referred for my report on the 1st instant, to accompany it with one from the Officiating Emigration Agent for that Colony of the 12th.

2. The Natal Government offer the Agency to Mr. Gahan, on condition of his confining his operations to their Colony, and of his furnishing security for public money passing through his hands. Mr. Gahan points out that his predecessor received the same salary as he does, 250 Rupees a month, with permission to act for other Colonies, and without entering into security, and expresses a hope that the same privileges may be extended to him, adding that, if the conditions sought to be imposed are insisted on, he would wish to be informed what salary would be granted, and what security required.

3. With regard to the security, I presume that I am not required to give an opinion. The Natal Government naturally look for some guarantee against loss, and it is for them to decide the question. But in respect to the condition that their Agent should only act for their own Colony, I consider that a salary of 250 Rupees a month will not offer sufficient inducement for an eligible person to undertake the duty. If this point is insisted on, the salary should be raised to Rupees 500.

4. The Natal Government will probably say that their limited demand for labor will not warrant so heavy an outlay. If not, their best course will be to offer the Agency at the present salary, with permission to act for other Colonies. Mr. Gahan is willing to undertake the duties on these terms, and I think they cannot do better than engage him.

From G. F. GAHAN, Esq., Officiating Emigration Agent for Natal, to the Protector of Emigrants; dated Madras, 12th December 1865.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 39, of the 4th instant, with its enclosure, and, in reply, I beg to state, for the information of Government, that Mr. Burton held the appointment of Emigration Agent for the Natal Government, without giving any security, and I respectfully solicit that I may be allowed the same privilege. Should Government decline granting me this privilege, I beg to be informed, what is the nature and extent of security required? Also, the salary that will be allowed under the conditions sought? The salary at present is 250 Rupees per mensem, and that forms the whole of my emolument derived from that Colony. Mr. Burton was allowed that salary, with the privilege of acting as Emigration Agent for any other Colony besides Natal.

2. Mr. Burton, as Emigration Agent for the Mauritius Government, I believe, at present receives a salary of 500 Rupees per mensem, and which, I am told, is likely shortly to be increased, as he has been restricted to act for that Government alone.

3. The recruiting of laborers for Natal, I will admit, has not been so brisk as for Mauritius, yet, I do not see any reason why it may not be brought to the same standard, more especially now that the Emigration Agent is empowered, by the recent alterations in the Immigration law of Natal, to offer better inducement to laborers to emigrate thither.

4. I need hardly mention, as you are doubtless aware, this point on the comparison of the number of laborers sent to the two Colonies, should not be taken into consideration in determining the salary, as Section 12 of Act XIII of 1864 expressly states the remuneration to be given to Emigration Agents shall not depend upon, or be regulated by, the number of emigrants sent.

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30th January 1866.*

No. 103. To the Colonial Secretary at Natal, dated Fort Saint George, 30th January 1866, No. 95.

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letters, dated the 22nd and 27th September last, and to forward, for the information of His Excellency the Administrator of the Government of Natal, a copy of a letter from the Protector of Emigrants, regarding the appointment of an Emigration Agent at Madras, and the salary to be assigned to him, from which will be seen that the salary hitherto allowed to the Emigration Agent for Natal, viz., Rupees 250 per mensem, is considered to be insufficient, in the event of the condition that the Emigration Agent should act only for the Colony of Natal being insisted upon, and that in that case the salary should be raised to Rupees 500 per mensem.

2. On being informed of the decision of the Natal Government on this point, and also in regard to the amount of security which the Emigration Agent will be required to furnish, the appointment will be permanently filled up, and the instructions contained in the 2nd paragraph of your letter of the 27th September will be acted on.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

Colonial Office Natal
September 22nd 1865.

Sir

I am directed by His
Excellency the Administrator of the
Government to request that you
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an Immigration Agent for this
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The Secretary to Government

Madras

Colonial Office Natal

27th September 1865

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Referring to my letter dated 22nd instant on the appointment of an Emigration Agent for this colony at Madras vice Mr. Burton resigned and directed by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government to request that on the appointment being made you will be pleased to hand over to the Officer so appointed the enclosed letter of credit for drawing on the Crown Agents for the Colonies England such sums as may be required to meet the expenses

The Honorable
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Public Office to Sir
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Government under date 20th Decr. relative
to this Agency are requested to continue
in force until the permanent appointment
is made by you.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

Drummond
Colonial Secretary

Colonial Office Natal
October 2nd 1865

Sir.

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Your obedient servant

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Colonial Secretary

Coolie Emigration Agent
for the Natal Government
Madras

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For A. George.
30 January 1863

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