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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.

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Dated

29-5-1867

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
29th May 1867.*

No. 184. Read the following letter from the Colonial Secretary, Mauritius, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Mauritius; 17th April 1867, No. A723.

I am directed by the Governor to inform you, in reply to your letter, No. 6, of 3rd January 1867, that His Excellency regrets that he cannot comply with the recommendation of the Protector of Emigrants, and restore Mr. Burton to the post lately held by him. Independently of the repeated complaints that have been made against Mr. Burton from various quarters, there has been, during the past year, an expenditure of over £5000 incurred by the Agency, in excess of the amount provided. A careful examination of the accounts is now being made, with the view of ascertaining whether or not Mr. Burton is pecuniarily liable in respect of any part of this excess of expenditure. Though His Excellency has no reason to doubt Mr. Burton's integrity, or the honesty of his intentions, there is quite sufficient to satisfy him that a most inefficient control has been exercised by Mr. Burton over his subordinates and the general working of the Agency, and that, independently of the dissatisfaction given to the Planters of this Island, a considerable loss has thereby been entailed on this Government. Should the final examination of the accounts not disclose any other circumstances that would induce the Government to alter the opinion now entertained respecting Mr. Burton, His Excellency will not object to ask the Secretary of State to sanction payment of a pension to Mr. Burton, in computing which an additional five years will be allowed, in consideration of his services having been dispensed with as a measure of expediency.

2. His Excellency will transmit to you, by the Mail of next month, instructions respecting the disposal of Mr. Burton's securities.

No. 185. ORDER THEREON, 29th May 1867, No. 597.

Forwarded to the Protector of Emigrants at Madras, for communication to Mr. Burton.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Protector of Emigrants.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

GENERAL BRANCH.—Registered No. *M/423* MAURITIUS.
COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.
17th April 1867.

[In any future correspondence on this
subject, the above No. should be quoted.]

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To

The Chief Secretary
To the Government of Madras.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant,

W. M. M. /
Colonial Secretary

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No 693
Conveyance of
his property to the
Colonial Secretary
in the name of
the Government
of Madras.

117th Oct 3 1867
117th May 3 1867
7th Dec 1867

Public 1867
From 24th May 1867
Colonial Secretary at
Madras
No 1125

No 324 Aug 1867

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No 597 dated 29th May 1867.

Forwarded to the Protector of Emigrants at Madras for communication to Mr. Burton.

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To the Protector of Emigrants despatch