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Read the following :—

No. 122. Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to his Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council ; dated India Office, London, 14th May 1868, No. 93 (Public).

I forward, herewith, for the information of your Excellency in Council, a copy of a despatch addressed by the Governor General of the Windward Islands, on the 9th of March last, to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, enclosing a report on the condition of Indian immigrants in the Island of St. Lucia during the last half of the year 1867. I also transmit a copy of the report of the Emigration Board, dated the 4th ultimo, on the above named despatch and its enclosures.

From His Excellency Sir J. WALKER, Governor General, Windward Islands, to His Grace the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos, Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies ; dated Barbadoes, 9th March 1868, No. 429.

I have the honor to forward to your Grace a despatch from the Administrator of St. Lucia, enclosing the Agent's half-yearly report to the 31st December on the condition of the Indian immigrants in that Island.

No. 27, dated 26th February 1868.

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3. The perpetrator of the murder referred to by the Agent has since been brought to trial and condemned to death ; and I regret to say that the circumstances of the case, as they have been laid before me, are such as preclude me interfering with the course of the Law.

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sufficiently to enable owners of estates to engage more labor, and we had been able to continue to introduce these people into the Colony as agricultural laborers, I do not think the desire to leave would have been manifested so largely. But as immigration has wholly ceased to this Colony, I believe that many of them do not like to remain here on that account; and, looking to the expense which has and will have to be incurred by the Colony (and the planters), I am not very hopeful of the success of immigration of this kind in small and poor Colonies. If the coolies withdraw themselves in considerable numbers, some estates which depend almost entirely upon their labor will be placed in a very unfortunate position, and it is most probable that our exports will diminish in consequence.

4. The statistics of births and deaths are satisfactory. The number of the former appears to be the same in 1866 and 1867, namely 22. The deaths are one less, being 20 as against 21.

5. According to the returns of employers of coolie labor, the wages earned have been less than in the corresponding period of 1866—the average per head being £3-12-4 as against £3-16-7½.

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I have visited all the estates on which these immigrants are located twice during the half-

ESTATES VISITED.

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year, and have pleasure in being able to report their health and condition as being most satisfactory throughout the Island. Very few cases of illness, and those of a very slight nature, appeared among them at the time of my visits. They are fully and regularly employed and paid as when under indenture—men one shilling per day, and woman ten pence. They have settled in

large numbers on some estates as shown by the returns; and, although many of them continue to

change from one estate to another, yet they are not so migratory in their habits as when first released from contract.

There are thirteen births and ten deaths on estates during the half-year as shown by the return, one death in Jail and one in depot, making a total of twelve deaths:—Gunnesh, on the "Pointe" Estate, of consumption; Dossy, a female, on "Malgretoute"—was very old, and deaf and dumb; Ghorum on "Marquis", of phthisis—had been several months in depot; a boy two years old on "Jalousie"; an infant five days after birth "Union Vale"; Kadan on "Belle Vue," of epileptic fits—was much addicted to drink; Cheetoo on "Mount Pleasant," of consumption; an old man, "Fonds"; a female child on "Fonds Doux"; Gungapandi, suddenly in Jail; a male child in depot; and Tuckhea, a female, who I regret to have to report was the victim of a most diabolical murder perpetrated on the "Hope" Estate on the 19th December last, with which crime the husband of the deceased is charged, and remains in Jail awaiting trial.

The return shows the number resident on each estate at the close of last half-year, and the resident on each on the 31st December; that the adults, 881 in number, performed during the half-year 65-340 days' work, and earned and received the sum of £3,187-14-3, being an average of 74 days' work, and £3-12-4 each, which is considerably less than the average of the previous half-year, owing to its being the rainy and growing season, when they do not work quite so regularly as in crop time.

I annex an extract from the Register of the Royal Jail, which shows that 29 of these immigrants were committed to Jail, during the half-year, and all, with the exception of Ingroo, for short periods for slight offences.

The depot for sick and infirm coolies is a substantial, clean, and well ventilated building, in which the greatest care is taken of the inmates; they are regularly visited by the Medical Officer, and provided with good beds, clothing, food, medicines, and medical comforts. There were 19 inmates on the 31st December, and seven infirm and blind receive allowances in lieu of maintenance therein from me weekly. Only one death occurred in the Institution during the half-year.

Up to date I have registered 95 applicants from the Ships *Palmyra* and *Victor Emmanuel* for back passages to India, and received from them their outfit money, and 127 have up to date received bounty to the amount of £878 in lieu of return passages. I have 41 applicants registered who are as yet unpaid, and they are daily applying in considerable numbers both for bounty and back passages, and from what I can learn up to the present, I am of opinion that about two-thirds of them will remain in the Island, and one-third will return to India. It is quite impossible to state with anything like accuracy at present, but I hope to be able about the close of the month of April or early in May next.

Of the coolies by the *Francis Ridley* who received bounty, eight have applied to me for licenses, and have left the Island for Trinidad, and I have reason to believe some more will go by next mail.

I have received no returns from the "Reunion" and "Balunbouche" estates, and I purpose proceeding against the proprietors for the penalty thus incurred.

RETURN of Cooly Immigrants on each Estate for half-year ending 31st day of December 1867.

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BURDEN of Cooly Immigrants on each Estate for half-year ending 31st day of December 1867.

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REPORT of Coolies confined in Royal Jail, Castries, 1st July to 31st December 1867.

No.	Names.	Crime or offence.	Sex.	Date of imprisonment.	Sentence.	By whom confined.	Remarks.
1	Charles	Theft	M.	8th July 1867	1 month's hard labor	Mr. S. J. Busby.	Acquitted.
2	Gobello	"	F.	8th "	Safe Custody	"	"
3	Arten	"	M.	8th "	"	"	"
4	Concicha	A vagrant	"	17th "	15 days' hard labor	"	"
5	Ramjan	"	"	20th "	"	"	"
6	Ramabany	"	"	20th "	"	"	"
7	Barocco	"	"	24th "	"	"	"
8	Tanno	"	"	24th "	"	"	"
9	Tegale	Assault	"	16th August 1867	"	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
10	Rada	Theft	"	25th "	"	Mr. S. J. Busby.	"
11	Erachan	"	"	29th "	"	"	"
12	Sambars	Contempt of Court	"	31st "	10 " imprisonment	"	"
13	Charles	"	"	7th September 1867	1 month's hard labor	Mr. S. G. McLean.	"
14	Harchiran	Theft	"	21st October	15 days' hard labor	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
15	Dommon	Assaults	"	21st "	"	"	"
16	Toommar	"	"	30th "	"	"	"
17	Sacker	"	"	30th "	"	"	"
18	Jacknandon	"	"	30th "	"	"	"
19	Birasser	"	"	30th "	"	"	"
20	Gopaul	"	"	12th November	"	Mr. S. J. Busby.	"
21	Pilbaggus	"	"	18th "	"	"	"
22	Maccharan	"	"	18th "	"	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
23	Gomgrasudi	"	"	25th "	"	Mr. S. J. Busby.	"
24	Baranto	Theft	"	25th "	Safe custody.	Mr. S. J. Busby.	Acquitted.
25	Desran	A vagrant	"	25th "	10 days' hard labor	"	"
26	Hosauie	Road defaulter	"	25th "	7, 8 or 6 days' imprisonment	Court of Requests.	"
27	Mathurin	A vagrant	"	11th December	14 days' hard labor	Mr. S. J. Busby.	"
28	Madadine	Road defaulter	"	19th "	7, 8 or 6 days' imprisonment	Court of Requests.	"
29	Jogue	Breach of peace	"	23rd "	10 days' hard labor	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
30		Murder	"	28rd "	Safe custody	Mr. J. P. Weeks.	"

(Signed) JACOB VOGEL,
Jailer.

RECAPITULATION.

Total return on estates...	1,121
In depot 31st December...	19
In Jail...	12
Deaths in depot and Jail during half-year...	2
Infirm and blind (receiving allowances)...	7
Interpreter and family...	5
On Vieille Ville...	2
In Lunatic Asylum...	1
In yards...	1
On Cocoanuts estate...	1
Non-resident on estates and not returned...	38

Total... 1,209

Total in Colony 31st December 1867... 1,207

(Signed) F. M. CHADWICK,
Immigration Agent.

25th February 1868.

From T. W. C. MURDOCH, Esq., Chairman of the Board of Emigration, to Sir F. ROGERS,
Bart, Under Secretary of State for the Colonies; dated 4th April 1868.

I have to acknowledge your letter of 1st instant, with a despatch from the Governor of the
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the Administrator of St. Lucia and the Immi-

No. 429, dated 9th March.

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ending 31st December last.

2. It appears from the returns which accompany the Agent's report that the number of
Indians in the Island on 31st December last was 1207, of whom 1121 were on estates.

The number of deaths during the half-year had been 12, or rather less than one per cent.
The number of days' work performed was equal to an average of 74 in the quarter for each
laborer, and the wages earned to £3-12-4.

3. The only Indians still under indenture are a few who are making up time lost by deser-
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venience to many estates which depend almost wholly on Indian labor if the Indians withdraw
themselves in considerable numbers.

4. The report, so far as regards the condition of the immigrants, is entirely satisfac-
tory, but it does not require any action on the part of the Secretary of State.

No. 2672.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras.

By Order,

(Signed) J. T. WHEELER,

For Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

HOME DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC,
22nd June 1868.

No. 123.

ORDER THEREON, 17th July 1868, No. 867.
Forwarded to the Protector of Emigrants.

(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Protector of Emigrants.

Edw. J. H. Burns.

India Office ;
London, 14th May 1868.

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Return of Cooly Immigrants on each Estate for Half-year ending 31st day of December 1867.

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		Adults.			Children.			Adults.			Children.			Adults.			Children.						Sickness or holidays.	Idleness.			
		M.		F.	M.		F.	M.		F.	M.		F.	M.		F.	M.		F.								
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.								
Diamond	"	9	3	2	1	1	0	"	"	"	"	"	"	5	1	0	0	0	0	415	"	"	21 11 2				
Kahat	"	8	6	3	2	1	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	8	4	1	3	0	1	1,504	"	"	68 0 0				
Chateau Belair	"	3	4	1	2	0	0	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	0	"	"	"	"	460	"	"	22 19 10				
Esperance	"	7	2	2	0	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	630	"	"	31 0 0				
Reunion	"	11	3	"	"	"	0	"	"	"	"	"	"	4	3	2	5	"	"	451	"	"	40 10 0				
Palmito	"	7	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	9	1	3	2	"	"	850	"	"	22 11 0				
Reunis	"	12	2	0	1	0	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	15	3	2	3	0	1	1,560	"	"	15 11 8				
St. Remy	"	20	5	0	1	2	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	11	3	0	0	"	"	730	"	"	78 0 0				
Anse Union	"	20	5	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	29	5	"	"	1	1	"	"	"	34 0 0				
Combaril	"	20	2	2	4	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	9	3	"	"	"	"	960	"	"	39 0 0				
Dauphine	"	17	5	3	5	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	13	4	"	"	"	"	256	"	"	12 0 0				
Balemboucho	"	9	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	12	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"				
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Sapphire	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"				
Pearl	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"				
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Black Bay	"	36	11	4	1	1	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	18	3	3	1	1	1	3,000	"	"	150 0 0				
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Tromasse	"	6	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	23	5	3	0	"	"	1,697	"	"	83 3 4				
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Return of Cooly Immigrants on each Estate for half-year ending 31st day of December 1867.

Name of Estate.	Owner.	Number of coolies end of last half-year.						Number of coolies received during half-year.						Number of coolies actually on estate on 31st December.						Number of days' labor performed.	Number of days absent, Sickness or Idleness.	Number of working days in half-year.	Amount of wages earned and paid during half-year.	Remarks.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
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No.	Names.	Crime or offence.	Sex.		Date of imprisonment.	Sentence.	By whom confined.	Remarks.
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1	Charles	Theft ..	1		8th July 1867	1 month's hard labor	Mr. S. J. Busby.	Acquitted.
2	Gobelle	" ..	1		8th "	Safe custody ..	" "	"
3	Marteau	" ..	1		8th "	15 days' hard labor	" "	"
4	Concibhal	A vagrant	1		17th "	" "	" "	"
5	Ramjan	" ..	1		20th "	14 "	" "	"
6	Ramsahaye	" ..	1		20th "	14 "	" "	"
7	Ramee	" ..	1		24th "	15 "	" "	"
8	Touuo	" ..	1		24th "	15 "	" "	"
9	Tegalle	Assault	1		18th August 1867	20 "	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
10	Rada ..	Theft ..	1		23th "	5 "	Mr. S. J. Busby.	"
11	Erachan	" ..	1		23th "	10 "	" "	"
12	Sambara	Contempt of Court	1		31st " "	10 "	" "	"
13	Charles	Theft ..	1		7th September 1867	1 month's hard labor	Mr. S. G. McLean.	"
14	Harchiran	Assaults	1		21st October	15 days' hard labor	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
15	Dommon	" ..	1		21st "	21 "	" "	"
16	Toomar	" ..	1		30th "	20 "	" "	"
17	Sanker	" ..	1		30th "	20 "	" "	"
18	Jackmandon	" ..	1		30th "	20 "	Mr. S. J. Busby.	"
19	Birsasser	" ..	1		12th November	10 "	" "	"
20	Gopaul	" ..	1		12th "	10 "	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
21	Pibeggus	" ..	1		18th "	5 "	Mr. S. J. Busby	"
22	Nacharan	Theft ..	1		23th "	10 days' hard labor	Court of Requests.	"
23	Gomgupandi	A vagrant	1		23th "	7, 8 or 6 days' imprisonment	Mr. S. J. Busby.	"
24	Baramio	Road defaulter	1		23th "	14 days' hard labor	Court of Requests.	"
25	Desiran	A vagrant	1		23th "	7, 8 or 6 days' imprisonment	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
26	Hosanie	Road defaulter	1		19th "	10 days' hard labor	Mr. S. J. Aubert.	"
27	Mathurin	Breach of peace	1		23rd "	Safe custody	Mr. J. P. Weeks.	"
28	Matadino	" ..	1		23rd "	" "	" "	"
29	Jague	Murder	1		23rd "	" "	" "	"

JACOB VOGEL.
Gaoler.

From T. W. C. MURDOCK, Esquire, to Sir F. ROGERS, Bart.,—Dated the 4th April 1868.

I have to acknowledge your letter of 1st instant, with a Despatch from the Governor of the Windward Islands, enclosing the No. 429, dated 9th March.

Reports of the Administrator of St. Lucia and the Immigration Agent on the condition of the Indian immigrants in that Island during the six months ending 31st December last.

2. It appears from the returns which accompany the Agent's report that the number of Indians in the Island on 31st December last was 1,207, of whom 1,121 were on estates.

The number of deaths during the half-year had been 12, ~~or~~ rather less than one per cent. The number of days' work performed was equal to an average of 74 in the quarter for each laborer; and the wages earned to £3-12-4.

3. The only Indians still under indenture are a few who are making up time lost by desertion or illegal absence. Of the number entitled to back passages, 95 have already registered their names and paid their outfit money, and 127 have received bounty in lieu of passage. Many more are daily coming in, and the Immigration Agent calculates that about two-thirds will remain in St. Lucia, and one-third will return to India. The Administrator attributes the large proportion of those who desire to go back as compared with the Indians in Trinidad and British Guiana to the non-continuance of immigration into St. Lucia; and he apprehends much inconvenience to many estates which depend almost wholly on Indian labor, if the Indians withdraw themselves in considerable numbers.

4. The report, so far as regards the condition of the immigrants, is entirely satisfactory, but it does not require any action on the part of the Secretary of State.

Recapitulation.

Total return on estates	...	1,121
In depôt 31st December	...	19
In gaol	...	12
Deaths in depôt and gaol during half-year...	...	2
Infirm and blind (receiving allowances)	...	7
Interpreter and family	...	5
On Vieille Ville	...	2
In Lunatic Asylum	...	1
In yards	...	1

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To the Hon. Secy of Legation