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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
19th October 1870.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 122. From the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Simla, 27th June 1870, No. 3086.

I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of a letter, No. 6, dated the 10th February last, from the British Consul at Réunion, and to request that it may be stated whether His Excellency the Governor in Council has any objection to the proposal to remove the Emigration Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras.

2. The Government of India is disposed to view the measure as an important reform, if it can be carried out, and one which will diminish the cost of recruiting and make its supervision more efficient. Should His Excellency the Governor in Council take the same view, he may think it desirable to make a communication to this effect to Consul Segrave.

From C. F. SEGRAVE, Esq., British Consul at Réunion, to the EARL OF MAYO, K.P., Calcutta, dated British Consulate, Réunion, 10th February 1870, No. 6.

I have the honour to inform your Excellency that the Conseil General of this Colony have unanimously voted an address to the Governor, requesting him to cause measures to be taken to remove their Emigration Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras.

Referred for the remarks of the Protector of Emigrants.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, (Signed) H. E. STOKES,
9th July 1870. Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 123. From the Protector of Emigrants, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 27th July 1870, No. 71.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of letter, No. 3086, of June 27th, 1870, from the Secretary to the Government of India (Home Department, Public), forwarding Mr. Consul Segrave's letter, No. 6, of February 10th, 1870, on the subject of the Conseil General of Réunion having unanimously voted an address to the Governor, requesting that the Emigration Establishment should be removed from Pondicherry to Madras, and calling for my remarks thereon.

2. In reply, I beg to state that I cannot conceive on what grounds such a recommendation has been made. Nothing whatever is mentioned about the Karikal establishment, and, certainly, if the Conseil General of Réunion wish the abolition of any of the French Establishments of Emigration in India, it is advisable that Karikal should be abolished, not Pondicherry.

3. On this point, I beg to refer the Government of Madras to the opinions expressed by me in paragraphs 17, 18, 19, and 20 of my letter, No. 56-M., of June 23rd, 1869, embodied in Proceedings of Madras Government, Public Department, of November 30th, 1869, showing why the Karikal Depot might be abolished.

4. His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India, however, remonstrated against the proposal for the abolition of Karikal, and the matter was dropped.

See Procs. of Madras Govt., P. D., 30th
Nov. 1869 and 11th Feb. 1870.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,

19th October 1870.

5. I would here remark that, though the Karikal Depôt was not abolished, the Agent's salary was reduced* from 250 Rupees to 200 Rupees monthly; a further reduction of the Vernacular Writer on Rupees 10 monthly, of the office rent Rupees 20 monthly, and the reduction of stationery allowance from Rupees 6 to 5, the same reductions† as were carried out at Pondicherry, should be carried out at Karikal.

6. The total abolition of the Karikal Depôt will effect an annual saving of Rupees 3,840, and I am decidedly of opinion that, if any French Emigration Depôt is to be abolished, Karikal should be selected in preference to Pondicherry. I have little doubt but that the French authorities will, if consulted, coincide with me in this opinion, as Pondicherry, being the seat of Government, is much better suited for an Emigration Depôt than Karikal.

No. 124. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Fort Saint George, 19th October 1870, No. 1316.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 27th June last, inquiring whether this Government has any objection to the removal of the French Emigration Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras, and forwarding copy of a letter from Mr. Consul Segrave, stating that the Conseil General at Réunion had unanimously voted an address to the Governor requesting him to cause measures to be taken to remove their Emigration Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras.

2. I am to state that His Excellency in Council is of opinion that, if the French Government can be brought to consent to their emigration operations being confined to Madras, such a change would, in all respects, be desirable, and would be attended by a considerable saving in the abolition of the Pondicherry and Karikal British Consular Agencies. But I am to invite attention to the Proceedings of this Government, dated 11th February last, communicated to the Government of India in the Acting Chief Secretary's letter of the same date.

3. It will be seen that the Governor of the French Possessions in India most strongly objected to the abolition of Karikal as an Emigration Depôt, and stated that he considered the Emigration Depôts at Pondicherry and Karikal essentially necessary for the French Emigration operations.

4. It seems, therefore, highly improbable that the recommendation of the Conseil General at Réunion will, if endorsed by the Government of that Colony, be favourably received by the French authorities in India or by the French Government.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Wright.

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From Government of

Fort St. George.

Dated 19th Oct. 1870.

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Addressing the Government of India in regard
to the proposal to remove the French Emigration
Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras.

No. 3080.

From

Col. Bayley, Esquire, C. S. I.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India,

To

The Secretary to the Government of
Fort St. George.

Simla, the 27 June 1870.

None despatch
Public.

Sir,

I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of a letter H. B. dated the 18th February last, from the British Consul at Pondicherry, and to request that it may be stated whether His Excellency the Governor in Council has any objection to the proposal to remove the Emigration Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras.

2. The Government of India is desirous to view the measure as an important reform, if it can be carried out, and one which will diminish the cost of recruiting, and make its supervision more efficient.

Yours
Honble

Assistant to the Secretary

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Protector's Office
Madras 27th July 1870

From

J. Hunter Blair Esquire
Protector of Emigrants

To

The Honorable R. S. Ellis C.B.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of letter No. 3086, of June 27th 1870, from the Secretary to the Government of India; Home Department Public forwarding Mr. Consul Segrav's letter No. 6, of February 10th 1870, on the subject of the ~~Council~~ General of Reunion, having unanimously voted an address to the Governor, requesting that the Emigration Establishment should be removed from Pondicherry to Madras, and calling for my remarks thereon.

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Sir
Your most Obedient Servant

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Protector of Emigrants

Public Department.

No. 1316.

To
The Secretary to the Government
of India.

Home Department.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 24th June last enquiring whether this Govt. has any objection to remove the French Emigration Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras and forwarding copy of a letter from Mr. Consul Segrange stating that the Conseil General at Pondicherry unanimously voted an address to the ~~Government~~ requesting him to cause measures to be taken to remove their Emigration Establishment from Pondicherry to Madras.

I am to state
H. L. M. Excellency in
Council.

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