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MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

14th February 1870.

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FROM

First
THE JUDGES OF THE

MADRAS COURT OF SMALL CAUSES,

TO

J. S. Anclini Esquire
Acting Chief Secretary to Government,
Fort Saint George,

SIR,

I beg to send, for the information of Government, the enclosed Record and Judgment in certain actions lately before this Court, from which the facts, to which I wish to draw the attention of Government, will sufficiently appear. It will be seen that Mr. Seamouth, the Defendant in those actions, has brought several Europeans as grooms from Melbourne hither, and left them here destitute. Further, there can be no reasonable doubt that many, probably, the greater number of those persons have been induced to come to this country by false representations respecting the advantages of so doing, made to them by a person called Williams, a Negro, who keeps what seems to be a low boarding-house at Melbourne

Melbourne, of whose aid in procuring
grooms for him Mr. Leamouth has availed
himself. If nothing else could be done
in the matter, this Government might, if
it thought fit, make the facts of those
cases the occasion of a representation to
the Australian Governments on the subject
of allowing Europeans to be imported
as these men have been, to this country,
where, whatever they might have been able
to do in Australia, many of them can
in all human probability only become
beggars or criminals.

The Government might
perhaps also see whether any proceedings
could be taken against Mr. Leamouth
under "The European Vagrancy Act 1869,"
though I fear it will be found that
the Act does not apply to the particular
circumstances of this case Section 31, as
it appears to me, contemplating only
the case of persons landed in India
under an engagement to serve in India

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant

Mr. Munt.

First Judge

W. H. D. D. D.

MADRAS COURT (1870) OF SMALL CAUSES.

From *Thos. J. Mack 1/10*

The Judge of the *Just*

Madras Court of Small Causes.

J. J. Mackin Byrne
Chief Secretary to Govt.,

Fort Saint George.

10/12/70
Dated *14th*

Despatched *14th February 1870.*

Received *16*

Enclosures, *3.*

No 347 No. *29*
1870.

Calling the attention of
Government to the *fact*
of Mr. *Thos. J. Mack* being
out of office from *Madras*
and leaving them *destitute*
at *Madras*, recommending
that *he* be made the *recipient*
of a *reimbursement* to the *Madras*
Government; and *discharge*
also *the* *proceeding* with *it*
be taken *against* *all* *persons*
under the *European* *Regency*
Act.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
9th March 1870.*

No. 51. Read the following letter from the First Judge of the Madras Court of Small Causes, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 14th February 1870, No. 29.

I beg to send, for the information of Government, the enclosed record and judgment in certain actions lately before this Court, from which the facts, to which I wish to draw the attention of Government, will sufficiently appear. It will be seen that Mr. Leamouth, the defendant in those actions, has brought several Europeans as grooms from Melbourne hither, and left them here destitute. Further, there can be no reasonable doubt that many, probably the greater number of those persons, have been induced to come to this country by false representations respecting the advantages of so doing, made to them by a person called Williams, a Negro, who keeps what seems to be a low boarding-house at Melbourne, of whose aid in procuring grooms for him Mr. Leamouth has availed himself. If nothing else could be done in the matter, this Government might, if it thought fit, make the facts of those cases the occasion of a representation to the Australian Governments on the subject of allowing Europeans to be exported as these men have been, to this country, where, whatever they might have been able to do in Australia, many of them can, in all human probability, only become beggars or criminals.

2. The Government might, perhaps, also see whether any proceedings could be taken against Mr. Leamouth under "The European Vagrancy Act, 1869," though I fear it will be found that the Act does not apply to the particular circumstances of this case, Section 31, as it appears to me, contemplating only the case of persons landed in India under an engagement *to serve in India*.

No. 52. ORDER THEREON, 9th March 1870, No. 287.

Resolved that copies of the foregoing letter, and of the judgment received therewith, be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor of Victoria.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the First Judge of the Madras Court of Small Causes.

Exd. J. Wright.

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To

THE FIRST JUDGE OF THE MADRAS
COURT OF SMALL CAUSES.

Dated March, 9th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 9th March 1870, No. 287.

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Nos. 51—53.

Directing that copies of the letter, and of the judgment received from the First Judge of the Madras Court of Small Causes, bringing to notice the fact of a Mr. Jeannouth having brought several Europeans as grooms from Melbourne to Madras, and having left them there destitute, be forwarded to His Excellency the Governor of Victoria.

Public Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following *letter from the*
First Judge of the Madras
Court of Small Causes
(N.C. 14 - 2nd 1870 No 29)

Order then 9 March 1870. No 287.

Resolved that copies
of the foregoing letter
and of the judgment
received therewith be
forwarded to His Excellency
the Governor of Victoria.

W.C.
A.J.
To the First Judge of the
Court of Small Causes,
Madras. { *desp. 14/3*

