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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,

11th January 1871.

No. 20. Read the following extract (paragraph 2) from a Despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, dated India Office, London, 26th October 1870, No. 99 (Public) :—

Paragraph 2. —I also forward a copy of the Immigration Report from Jamaica for the year 1868-69, and likewise a copy of a Despatch from the Governor of the Windward Islands, transmitting the report from the Colony of Grenada for the half-year ending 30th June 1870. Both these documents, as will be seen from the accompanying communications from the Emigration Board, are in all respects satisfactory.

From His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, Barbados, to the Right Hon. the EARL of KIMBERLEY, &c., dated Grenada, Windward Islands, Barbados, the 29th August 1870, No. 34.

I have the honour to forward, in original, a Despatch* from Lieutenant-Governor Mundy, enclosing the half-yearly report of the Immigration Agent for the six months ended 30th of June last.

2. It furnishes evidence of an improvement in the condition of the Indian immigrants, of a greater desire on the part of the proprietors to make adequate provision for them, and of vigilance also, perhaps, improved on the part of the Agent.

3. My attention was called, in the Colonial Hospital, to the two coolies sent for treatment from the Dunfermline Estate referred to in the report, and it appeared to me that, if the Manager was not locally bound to provide for these men, he was bound to take measures for preventing them from falling into the state of emaciation and disease in which the Agent sent them to the hospital. He has been fined, and, whether his appeal should succeed or not, the lesson will not have been thrown away upon him and others.

From the Hon. R. M. MUNDY, Lieutenant-Governor, to His Excellency the Governor-in-Chief, Barbados, dated Grenada, Government House, the 22nd August 1870, No. 68.

I have the honour to transmit to your Excellency the usual report† of the Immigration Agent on the sanitary condition of the Indian immigrants in Grenada for the half-year ended 30th June last.

† In duplicate, 8th August 1870.

Report on the sanitary condition of the Indian Immigrants located on the Plantations in the Colony of Grenada, showing the number on each Estate, together with the increase and decrease among them during the half-year ended 30th June 1870.

No. of Return.	Name of Plantation.	Name of Employer.	Number on Es- tate, 30th June.		Births in half-year, 30th June.		Deaths in half-year ended 30th June.				Sanitary condition on inspection in the month of July 1870.	
			Male.	Female.	Boys.	Girls.	Date.	Nme.	Cause of death.	Male.		Female.
1	Mount William.	Alex. Lyons.	16	7	1	...		...		...	...	Coolies all well. Nundoo was in hospital under treat- ment for heart disease. Other coolies all well.
2	Bathazar	Salvé Cassar.	40	27	1	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	
3	Diamond	Lewis G. Mun- ro.	5	1	...	...		...		...	...	Coolies all well.
4	Piedmont	Do.	3	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	
5	Paradise	A. Paul and Co.	24	19	...	...	27th May	Rumm...	Dysentery	1	...	Coolies under medical treatment. Other coolies well.
6	Springs	F. de Poul- lain.	10	2	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	
7	Grand Bacolet.	A. Pearson...	24	9	1	...		...		...	...	Coolies all well.
8	Plaisance	J. Wildman.	1	...	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	
9	Lesterne and Columbere.	F. Harford...	13	9	...	...		...		...	...	Coolies all well.
10	Dongaldstone...	F. Prend- homme.	14	5	...	...	.....	...	.....	...	...	
11	River Antoine.	Thomson, Hankey & Co.	19	6	1	...		...		...	...	Seeballuck, with skin disease, under treatment. Other coolies well. Two cases with crabs in feet. Other coolies well.
12	Lataste	Wm. Shears	18	12	...	1	.....	...	.....	...	...	
13	Grand Bras	Wm. Shears, for Thom- son, Han- key and Co.	39	17	...	...	March	Mary Jas	A childthrush	...	1	

No.	Name	Age	Sex	Date	Place	Occupation	State of Health	Remarks
14	Simon	26	9	...	27th March	Buckreduch	...	Disease of the heart.
15	Reguin	48	14	1	30th April	Gugah	...	Pneumonia
16	Clark's Court.	26	15	1	27th February	Bachun	...	Apoplexy
17	Palmiste	18	13	1	...	...	...	...
18	Mount Horne.	14	4	...	2nd January	Bookruj	...	A childthrush
19	Prospect Park.	1	...	...	20th January	Somareea	...	Shanks
20	Telescope	33	20	1	...	Edcea	...	Dysentery
21	Mount Craven.	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
22	Hope	33	34	1	...	...	...	...
23	Montreal	31	18	1	...	...	...	...
24	Lafortune	24	15	...	...	...	...	...
25	Grenville Vale.	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
26	Coriuth	20	13	...	...	...	...	...
27	Plains & Chambord	53	20	2	28th March	Somareea	...	Yaws and Dysentery.
28	Snell Hall	12	8	...	...	...	...	...

Report on the sanitary condition of the Indian Immigrants located on the Plantations in the Colony of Grenada, &c.—(Continued.)

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			Male.	Female.	Boys.	Girls.	Date.	Name.	Cause of death.	Male.		Female.
29	Montrose	Mr. Campbell.	28	12	1	...	11th March	Nanhoo	Yaws	2	...	Thapoe had a bad cough. Other coolies were all well.
30	Mornefundur	J. Shand	36	22	...	...	6th June	Beecaneeth	Yaws and debility.	...	...	Deena Mahomed treated for rheumatism. Other coolies well.
31	Observatory	John Langdon.	28	9	...	...	12th March	Lofun	A child dropsy	...	1	On 6th July came to inspect; Manager was absent; left word that I would be back on 8th, and passed on to other estates. On return (8th) found that Jannalli, a fine able-bodied cooly, had in the meantime met his death in a drunken broil and fight among the coolies on night of 6th. There was no evidence as to the party who beat him; and, although the Coroner committed two men for trial, they were ultimately discharged. This death will appear in next return.
32	Dunfermline	Thomson, Hankey & Co.	28	12	...	...	9th January	Boodhoo	Dropsy	1	...	On inspection of the cottages of the coolies on this estate on 9th July, the coolies, Boodhram and Cassin, were found in their house with ulcers on legs and feet. They had neither had medical attendance, medicine, or nourishment, nor had ulcers been dressed for some days. Proceedings were taken against the Manager of the estate. The other coolies were well.

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No.	Name of Plan- tation.	Name of Em- ployer.	No. of Males.	No. of Females.	Total.	Sanitary condition on inspection in the month of July 1870.
33	Calweny	Thomson, Hankey & Co.	32	17	49	Coolies were all well.
34	Mount Rich	Wm. McEwen.	33	22	55	Mungli and Libun were under treatment for yaws. Other coolies well.
35	Marli	Thos. Duncan.	6	1	7	Coolies were all well.
36	Westerhall	F. Prend- homme.	26	21	47	Coolies were all well.
37	Bologne	A. Law	49	35	84	Mahair had crabs in his feet (rem- nant of yaws). Other coolies well.
38	Pearls	Do.	30	16	46	An infant with yaws. Other coolies well.
39	Samaritan	A. Fergus- son.	2	...	2	Coolies were all well.
40	Carriere	Thos. Best...	18	4	22	Gooter was killed by the overturning of a cart, which he was driving, and which fell upon him. The Coroner's jury found a verdict of accidental death.
41	Tuileries	Wm. Laing.	25	15	40	Raadheea and "Praay" under treat- ment for ulcer. Other coolies well.
42	Lieut. Cyr and Meribean.	Heirs of J. Langdon.	19	8	27	
43	Mount Gay	Thos. Crump- ton.	2	3	5	
44	Lavalatte	W. D. Bell...	5	1	6	
45	Mount Rodney.	Wm. McEwen.	20	14	34	
46	La Digne	Wm. Shears.	1	...	1	
47	Belmont	Hairs of Honstoun.	49	27	76	
	Total...		...	19	9	

OBSERVATIONS.

There was perceptible improvement in the sanitary condition of the Indian immigrants located on the plantations in this Colony during the past half-year ended 30th June 1870.

11th January 1871.

There were twenty-eight births among them recorded, equal to 1.64 per cent., against sixteen deaths, 0.94 per cent., a small mortality as compared with report on 31st December last.

There were fifty coolly patients admitted for treatment in the Colony Hospital during the half-year, and no deaths among them. There was also observable a general appearance of contentment among the immigrants during my inspections. A few of those Indians who had accepted bounties in lieu of the back passage, and who had been working on Carriere Estate at the early part of the year, got dissatisfied with their employer and left that property, and have rented lands from the Upper Pearis Estate. They have built themselves comfortable cottages, and have fine provision gardens attached. Although detached from any sugar plantation, they yet give labour occasionally to the neighbouring properties, and which obliged me to prosecute. The first occurred on the 5th July, on Mount Home Estate, the Hon. Robert F. Berkeley being the resident proprietor. This was an attempt to get rid of sick coolies, who had been for some years on the estate, and being sick could not consequently give labour. The Manager and Overseer both informed me that Mr. Berkeley had left orders with them to give notice to the sick coolies to leave the estate; the notice had been given, but the coolies did not leave. At the investigation before the Police Magistrate not only did the Manager and the Overseer deny having given such order, The denial, however, was not of any avail to the defendant, for, not only was it proved in evidence that medical attendance, medicine, and maintenance had been withheld from the sick for some weeks, but the Manager and Overseer also admitted the fact, and the defendant was convicted and fined in the sum of £4 in the case of Rampershad. Notice of appeal was given by defendant.

The second instance of neglect of the sick occurred on the Dunfermline Estate on the 9th July. This property is in the charge of Messrs. Thomson, Hankey and Co. Whilst the coolies were being collected for inspection, I proceeded to examine the condition of the Estate's Hospital and the coolie houses, accompanied by the Manager, Mr. Kent. On opening one of the cottages the coolies, Boodhrum and Cassin, were found lying down in a wretched state of emaciation, with ulcers on feet and legs, which had not evidently been dressed for some time, and were so offensive that the Manager ran out of the house holding his nose. Upon demanding an explanation of him, the Manager said that he "thought it very hard that the estate should pay medical attendance for coolies who had never done a stroke of work for the estate since he took charge of it." The defence attempted to be set up was—that these coolies had never been located on Dunfermline. Evidence, however, was adduced that Boodhrum was in his ninth year, and Cassin in his fourth year, on that property. The defendant was convicted and fined in the sum of £4 in the case of Boodhrum. Notice of appeal has been given by defendant. These invalids were sent to the Colony Hospital for treatment.

IMMIGRATION OFFICE, GRENADA,
The 8th August 1870.

(Signed) G. G. MUNRO,
Immigration Agent,

11th January 1871.

From S. WALCOTT, Esq., to Sir F. ROGERS, BART., &c., dated the 22nd September 1870.

I have to acknowledge your letter of the 19th instant, with the copy of a Despatch from the Officer administering the Government of Jamaica, enclosing the Report of the Acting Immigration Agent for the year ending 30th September 1869.

This is Mr. Shaw's second Report of the kind. In it he points out the successful working of the Immigration Law No. XXXIV. of 1839, on which I had the honour to report on the 15th of October last. He remarks that, in consequence of the new regulations and the changes which have been introduced into the Immigration Department, vagrancy and desertion amongst the coolies are almost unknown, and sickness and malingering much diminished. The immigrants, moreover, are said to be earning better wages than ever they did before, and, if indentured, must by law be provided with sufficient means of obtaining food, or with food itself, whether they work or not. Five union hospitals have already been established under the recent Act. Three are in progress, and eight more will be required. These are exclusive of the Coolie Depôt in Spanish Town for permanently disabled coolies.

The number of coolies imported last year from Calcutta was 1389. Of these 935 were males, 399 females, and 60 infants. Assuming the sexes amongst the infants to be about equal, the proportion of females to males introduced was in excess of the prescribed ratio. There were 80 deaths, 4 births, and 5 cases of desertion.

The report is of a favourable complexion, and calls for no action on the part of the Secretary of State.

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It appears that, at that date, there were 1548 Indian immigrants located on 47 estates, of whom 1012 were males and 536 females; that the births during the half-year had been 28, and the deaths 16—8 males and 8 females. Of the 50 coolies admitted into the Colonial Hospital, none had died. The sanitary condition of the immigrants is reported to have perceptibly improved in the half-year.

Two instances of culpable neglect of sick coolies are mentioned as having occurred on Mount Home Estate and Dunfermline Estate. In both prosecutions were very properly instituted, and the defendants were convicted and fined. They have appealed, but with what result is not yet known.

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(By order of the Governor-General in Council.)

FORT WILLIAM, HOME DEPARTMENT,

(Signed) W. M. SOUTTAR,

PUBLIC, the 9th December 1870.

Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 21.

ORDER THEREON, 11th January 1871, No. 32.
Communicated to the Protector of Emigrants.
(True Extract.)

To the Protector of Emigrants.

Exd. J. Wright.

Chief Secretary.

Communicating extract from a Despatch from the Secretary of State together with the Immigration Report from the Colony of Grenada for the half-year ending 30th June 1870, received by the Government of India.

JANUARY.
Nos. 20-21.

G. O., 11th January 1871, No. 32.

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To
THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS.

PUBLIC.

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7	Pinkstone	A. Pearson	13	0	1	1	0	1				1	1	13	1	Coolies all well.
8	Leinster and Colum-	J. Widman	14	6	1	1	6	1				1	1	14	1	Coolies all well.
9	Boca	F. Harford	10	6	1	1	6	1				1	1	10	1	Coolies all well.
10	Danger/delima	F. Prendhomme	14	12	1	1	12	1				1	1	14	1	Coolies all well.
11	River Antoine	Thompson, Hankey and Company.	15	17	1	1	17	1				1	1	15	1	Coolies all well.
12	Latetio	Wm. Shears	15	12	1	1	12	1				1	1	15	1	Coolies all well.
13	Grand Bras	Wm. Shears, for Thompson, Hankey and Company.	28	0	1	1	0	1				1	1	28	1	Coolies all well.
14	Sinon	Thompson, Hankey and Company.	26	0	1	1	0	1				1	1	26	1	Coolies all well.
15	Enguin	H. de la Roche	26	14	1	1	14	1				1	1	26	1	Coolies all well.
16	Barley's Court	Thos. Birt	29	15	1	1	15	1				1	1	29	1	Coolies all well.
17	Falmesa	W. P. Garry	18	13	1	1	13	1				1	1	18	1	Coolies all well.
18	Mount Home	Harry, Berkeley and others.	14	4	1	1	4	1				1	1	14	1	Coolies all well.

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20	Telescope	83	90	1	1	1	1	1	
21	Mount Craven	6	34	1	1	1	1	1	
22	Hope	31	18	1	1	1	1	1	
23	Northall	31	15	1	1	1	1	1	
24	Latterine	34	15	1	1	1	1	1	
25	Greenlie Vale	5	13	1	1	1	1	1	
26	Colinda	20	13	1	1	1	1	1	
27	Plains & Charnock.	53	20	2	1	1	1	1	
28	Shall Hall	12	8	1	1	1	1	1	
29	Montrose	38	12	1	1	1	2	1	
30	Morpheindur	86	22	1	1	1	1	1	
31	Observatory	28	9	1	1	1	1	1	
32	Dunfermline	28	12	1	1	1	1	1	
33	Calweny	32	17	1	1	1	1	1	
34	Mount Rich	33	22	1	1	1	1	1	
35	Marl	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	
36	Westhall	26	21	2	1	1	1	1	
37	Boleigne	49	30	1	1	1	1	1	
38	Samaitan	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	
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40	Trileries	25	15	1	1	1	1	1	
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There was perceptible improvement in the sanitary condition of the Indian immigrants located on the estates during the past half-year ended 30th June 1870. There were 28 births among them recorded, equal to 1.94 per cent., against 16 deaths, or 0.94 per cent., a small mortality as compared with Report on 31st December last.

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Two instances of culpable neglect of sick immigrants came under notice during my inspections, and which obliged me to prosecute. The first occurred on the 5th July, on Mount Home Estate, the Honble Robert F. Berkeley being the resident proprietor. This was an attempt to get rid of sick coolies, who had been for some years on estate and being sick could not consequently give labor. The Manager and Overseer both informed me that Mr. Berkeley had left orders with them to give notice to the sick coolies to leave the estate; the notice had been given, but the coolies did not go. At the investigation before the Police Magistrate not only did the Manager and the Overseer deny having told me this, but Mr. Berkeley also denied having given such order. The Magistrate, however, was not of any avail to the defendant, for not only was it proved in evidence that medical attendance, medicine and maintenance had been withheld from the sick for some weeks, but the Manager and Overseer also admitted the fact, and the defendant was convicted and fined in the sum of £4 in the case of Rumpshel. Notices of appeal was given by defendant.

The second instance of neglect of the sick occurred on the Dunfermline Estate on the 9th July. This property is in the charge of Messrs. Thomson, Hickey and Co. Whilst the coolies were being collected for inspection, I proceeded to examine the condition of the Estate's Hospital and the coolie houses, accompanied by the Manager, Mr. Kent. On opening one of the cottages the coolies, Broadman and Curran, were found lying down in a wretched state of emaciation, with ulcers on feet and legs, which had not evidently been dressed for some time, and were so offensive that the Manager ran out of the house holding his nose. Upon demanding an explanation of this, the Manager said, that he thought it very hard that the estate should pay medical attendance for coolies who had never done a stroke of work for the estate since he took charge of it. The defendant attempted to be set up, viz., that these coolies had never been located on Dunfermline. Evidence, however, was adduced that Broadman was in his sixth year, and Curran in his fourth year, on that property. The defendant was convicted and fined in the sum of £4 in the case of Broadman. Notice of appeal has been given by defendant. These inmates were sent to the Colony Hospital for treatment.

IMMIGRATION OFFICE, GRENADA.
The 8th August 1870.

G. G. MURDO,
Immigration Agent.

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