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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
14th March 1871.*

No. 77. Read the following Despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 19th January 1871, No. 2 (Public):—

In continuation of my Despatch of the 16th of June last, No. 65, I forward, herewith, for the information of your Excellency in Council, a copy of a letter from the Chairman of the Emigration Board, relative to the increase which your Lordship in Council has made in the fees payable on emigration to British and French Colonies. This letter was communicated by the Colonial Office to the British Cooly Importing Colonies.

2. I would, at the same time, invite the more special attention of your Excellency in Council to the accompanying extract of a letter upon the subject which has recently been addressed to this Department by desire of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

From Sir T. W. C. MURDOCH, Chairman of the Emigration Board, to Sir F. L. ROGERS, Bart., Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated Emigration Board, 2nd July 1870.

I have to acknowledge your letter of 25th ultimo, with one from the India Office, enclosing a voluminous correspondence (herewith returned) on the subject of the financial position of the Emigration Fee Funds of the British and French Colonies which import Indian emigrants.

2. It appears from this correspondence that the fees have latterly been insufficient to defray the expenses attending the emigration, and the Government of India have accordingly, in exercise of a power conferred on them by recent Acts, raised the fees levied under certain Clauses of Act XIII. of 1864 by fifty per cent. The fees so raised are those on the licensing of depôts, 10 Rupees; the licensing of recruiters, 10 Rupees; the registration of country emigrants, 1 Rupee; and the registration of emigrants in Presidency towns, 1 Rupee. Each of these fees will now be half as much again.

3. As it is unfair that the expense of emigration to the Colonies should be thrown on the Indian revenue, there is no alternative but to increase the Colonial payments on account of it. I have only, therefore, to suggest that the Colonies which import Indian emigrants should be informed of what has been done. If the emigration increases, the revenue will increase; and in that case it may hereafter be possible to revert to the scale of payments which has hitherto been in force.

Extract from a letter from the Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, to the Under Secretary of State for India, dated Foreign Office, 24th December 1870.

With reference to your letter of the 14th of June last, forwarding a Despatch and its enclosures from the Government of India, in which it is stated that the Governor-General in Council has, with the view of rendering the emigration service self-supporting, increased the fees payable under certain Sections of Act XIII. of 1864 by fifty per cent., I am directed by Earl Granville to state to you that he sees no objection to this measure, provided that the fees on emigration to French Colonies are not higher than those on emigration to British Colonies, in conformity with the spirit of the 3rd Article of the Convention of 1861.

No. 1141.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Fort Saint George, for information, with reference to previous correspondence, terminating with the endorsement from this Department, No. 2071, dated the 27th April 1870.

HOME DEPARTMENT,
FORT WILLIAM, 27th February 1871.

(By order)
(Signed) W. VERNER,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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14th March 1871.

No. 78. ORDER THEREON, 14th March 1871, No. 332.
Communicated to the Protector of Emigrants.
(True Extract.)

To the Protector of Emigrants.

Public
No. 2.

India Office
London
19th January 1871.

His Excellency the Right Honble
The Governor General of India
in Council.

My Lord,

1. In continuation of my despatch
of the 16th of June last, No. 65, Herewith,
for the information of your
Excellency in Council, a copy of a letter
from the Chairman of the Emigration
Board, relative to the increase which
your Lordship in Council has made
the Fee payable on Emigration to
British and French Colonies. This
letter was communicated by the Colonial
Office to the British Cooley Importing
Colonies.

2. I would, at the same time,
invite the more special attention of
your Excellency in Council to the
accompanying Extract of a letter
upon the subject which has recently
been adopted to this Department by
decision of Her Majesty's Secretary of
State for India.

Yours faithfully,

Govt. of 3713 21/1/71.

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To
THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS.

Dated March 1871.

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Communicating papers from the Home Govern-
ment, forwarded by the Government of India, rela-
tive to the increase which the Secretary of State
has made in the fee payable on emigration
British French Colonies.

Sir C. Murdoch to Sir T. Rogers

Emigration Board

29th July 1870.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge your letter of 25th ultimo with one from the India Office enclosing a voluminous correspondence (herewith retained) on the subject of the Financial position of the Emigration See Funds of the British and French Colonies which import Indian Emigrants.

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I have &c.

Sd/ C. Murdoch.

Sir Frederick Rogers, Bart.

Extract from letter from the Under Secy: of State for Foreign Affairs to the Under Secy: of State for India.

Foreign Office

December 24th 1870

With reference to your letter of the 11th of June last forwarding a ^{copy} of the ^{report} (and its Enclosures) from the Government of India in which it is stated that the Governor General in Council has with the view of increasing the Emigration Service for supporting increase the Fees payable under certain sections of Act XIII of 1864 by 50 per cent.

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Convention of 1861.

N^o 1141.

Copy forwarded to the Government of
St. George for information,
with reference to previous correspondence,
terminating with the Envoisement from
Department N^o 2071 dated the 27th

April 1870

His Department

By order

To Mr William the

W. Verma

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