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28th March 1871.

No. 127. Read the following translation of a letter from His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, Fort Saint George, dated Pondicherry, 16th March 1871, No. 6:—

In confirming the telegram which I have just sent to your Excellency, and of which I enclose a copy, I have the honour to inform you that Her Britannic Majesty's Consular Agent at Karikal has now intimated to our Emigration Agent that the Director of Emigrants at Madras, acting under the terms of the International Convention, has directed him not to permit the embarkation of emigrants after the 15th instant without special authority.

2. We have, Monsieur le Gouverneur, conformed to the terms of the Convention of the 1st July 1861 by embarking at Pondicherry, during the course of yesterday, our last batch for the voyage. It is thus that the Administration has always operated ever since the Convention was put in force. The embarkation is carried on at Pondicherry up to the date appointed as the last day, and the ship then proceeds to Karikal to complete the work there. Never till this day did the British Administration raise objections on this point, and we have on this occasion only followed the practice of the past.

3. I have the honour to request that your Excellency will be so good as to issue orders in view to the opposition that I am now bringing to notice being removed as quickly as possible. My Administration will find itself compelled to take upon itself a heavy charge for expenses if the embarkation of the complement of emigrants to be taken on board at Karikal must be put off.

P.S.—I should be thankful to your Excellency for a favourable and prompt solution. The ship left yesterday for Karikal, where it has to take on board about 140 coolies. This is a great deal for us, and somewhat to the benefit of a freight accepted under the letter of a text.

If the errors of the past must be corrected, let it be done as regards the future, and not at the last stage of an operation entered upon in good faith under the influence of these precedents.

No. 128. To His Excellency M. BONTEMPS, Governor of the French Settlements in India, dated Fort Saint George, 28th March 1871, No. 411.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's letter, dated the 16th instant, No. 6, and to acquaint you that, as intimated in my telegraph message of the 17th idem, the Consular Agent at Karikal was instructed to suspend the time for embarking emigrants from that place until the 31st March.

Accept, Sir, &c.
(Signed) NAPIER.

Monsieur le Gouverneur,

En confirmant à Votre Excellence
l'élégramme que je viens de lui expédier et
dont je joins ici la copie, j'ai l'honneur de vous
faire connaître que M. l'agent consulaire
de S. M. B. à Parikal vient d'informer
notre agent d'émigration que M. le Protecteur
des Emigrants de Pondichéry, s'appuyant sur les
termes de la Convention internationale, lui avait
prescrit de ne pas autoriser, sans ordre, l'embar-
quement des émigrants après le 15 du courant.

Nous nous sommes conformés, Monsieur le
Gouverneur, aux termes de la Convention du 14
Juillet 1861 en embarquant à Pondichéry, dans
la journée d'hier, notre dernier contingent de la
Campagne. C'est ainsi que l'Administration
a toujours procédé depuis que la Convention
a été mise à exécution. L'embarquement opérera
à Pondichéry le jour fixé comme dernier délai.

Votre Excellence le très-honorable Gouverneur et le Président
du Comité Local

et le navire continué ensuite sur l'Arctique, pour
y compléter son opération. Jamais, jusqu'à ce
jour, l'Administration anglaise n'a éprouvé de
difficultés à ce sujet et nous n'avons fait, cette fois,
que suivre la pratique du passé.

J'ai l'honneur de prier Votre Excellence
de vouloir bien donner des ordres pour que l'opéra-
tion que je lui signale soit livrée le plus tôt possible.
Son administration se verrait obligée de prendre
à sa charge des frais assez considérables, si l'embar-
quement du complément d'émigrants, à prendre
à l'Arctique, devait être retardé.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Gouverneur,
l'assurance de la haute considération avec laquelle
j'ai l'honneur d'être,

De Votre Excellence,

Le très obéissant serviteur,

Le Commissaire Général de la Marine
Gouverneur des Établissements Français en Inde

Drummond

J'aurais bien remercié à Votre Excellence
d'une bonne et prompt solution. Le navire
a été expédié vers le port de l'Arctique où il doit
prendre environ 1400 tonnes. C'est beaucoup
pour nous, et bien peu, dans l'intérêt
d'un retour subit à la lettre d'invitation.

Si les événements du passé doivent être
modifiés, que à son point l'événement se non

intervenant manœuvre d'une opération
réalisée de bonne foi dans l'intérêt
de ces événements.

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to remove the objection
taken by the Convention
agent at Liverpool &
He can make a letter to
the Convention's agent at
Liverpool.

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