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5th November 1889, Nos. 884—886, Public.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Letter—to

A. M. MacGREGOR, Esq.,
Indian Immigration Agent, Straits Settlements.

Sir,

With reference to paragraphs 3 to 5 of your letter, dated 16th September 1889, I am directed to point out to you that the measure therein suggested would be entirely opposed to the policy in regard to emigration to the Straits Settlements which your Government has so long advocated and which has been accepted by this Government and the Government of India. Its adoption would moreover involve fresh legislation, which His Excellency the Governor in Council has no desire to undertake. I am therefore to express the regret of the Government of Madras that it cannot comply with your request.

2. In regard to paragraph 6 of your letter, I am to point out that under sections 2 and 3 of the supplementary rules issued in G.O., dated 15th May 1888, No. 510, licenses to recruiters are issued only by Magistrates, and His Excellency in Council considers that the power to cancel should not be wider than the power to grant. His Excellency in Council is, however, willing to permit the cancellation by a qualified Magistrate, on the demand of an officer deputed by the Straits Settlements Government to be in charge of an emigration depôt, of a license to a recruiter granted on the application of such officer and will be prepared to amend sections 5 and 6 of the rules above referred to in this sense. The rules would then run thus:—

Rule 5.—Such license shall only be granted to the following persons:—

(*a*) Persons appointed in India by Agents for estates in the Straits Settlements who are recognized by the District Magistrate.

(*b*) Persons producing a letter of recommendation from the Indian Immigration Agent in the Straits Settlements, or from an officer deputed by the Straits Settlements Government to be in charge of an emigration depôt in India.

Rule 6.—License may, in proof of misconduct or breach of these or other rules prescribed by the Government from time to time, be cancelled within the period for which it is in force by any Magistrate exercising first-class powers, and in the case of a license granted on the application of an officer deputed by the Straits Settlements Government to be in charge of an emigration depôt, the license shall be cancelled on the demand of such officer.

3. I am to ask whether these alterations will meet your views.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Fort St. George,
5th November 1889.

Chief Secretary.

Endorsement—dated 5th November 1889, No. 885, Public.

Copy to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, Singapore.

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

Endorsement—dated 5th November 1889, No. 886, Public.

Copy to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department (Emigration).

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

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APPENDIX.

From A. M. MacGREGOR, Esq., Indian Immigration Agent, Straits Settlements, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 16th September 1889.

The Government of the Straits Settlements in their letter, No. 8446 of 1889, dated 8th ultimo, informed you that I had been deputed to arrange for a depôt at Negapatam for indentured emigrants proceeding to that colony.

2. There is, however, a point of considerable importance for which I am directed to solicit the favorable consideration of the Government of Madras.

3. Many coolies agree to emigrate, receive advances, and proceed to Negapatam, and after considerable expenditure has thus been incurred, they decline to embark or leave the depôt, well knowing that we have no means of recovering the money from them.

This practice has now become very prevalent, causing heavy loss to all concerned and a serious impediment to recruiting.

4. By Act XXI of 1883, sections 93 and 94, emigrants to all other colonies can be compelled to repay such expenses or be punished in default.

5. His Excellency the Governor of the Straits Settlements therefore trusts that the Government of Madras will be able to extend the provisions of these sections to "indentured" emigrants proceeding to that colony.

6. I am further directed to request that the power to suspend and cancel recruiters' licenses for misconduct or breach of the rules may be granted to the officer in charge of the depôt under paragraph 6 of the rules regulating emigration to the Straits Settlements, as it is considered that he would not otherwise be able to control the action of recruiters.

Exd. W. H. French.

Govt. of {1889} Madras.

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Letter, &c, 5th November 1889,
Nos. 884–886.

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Emigration.

Addressing Mr. MacGregor, Indian Immigration Agent, Straits Settlements, on the subject of his letter requesting that the provisions of sections 93 and 94 of Act XXI of 1883, may be extended so as to embrace indentured emigrants proceeding to the Straits Settlements, and that the officer in charge of the depôt may be empowered to suspend and cancel licenses issued to recruiters. Copy to the Governments of India and the Straits Settlements.

Minute by the Indian Immigration Agent

This letter from the Madras Government certainly puzzles me. How the alteration I suggested would be entirely opposed to the policy in regard to emigration to the Straits Settlements I cannot see unless it is because the contracts are executed here and not in India, but the system has been approved of by the Government of India and I presume legalized, so it seems to me that we have a right to ask the Madras Government to help us in carrying out that system. There is no doubt that every encouragement has been and I hope will be given to free immigration but the Madras Government have always made a point of having all labourers on Estates under contract and it was with regard to this class of labourers that I wrote. I think the Madras Government have overlooked this fact for para. 1 clearly points to emigration to the Straits being free.

2. As regards para. 2, the amendment does not I think meet the point I raised. I asked that any license to recruit for the Straits might be cancelled by the Superintendent

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of the depôt at Negapatam. If this cannot be granted I would suggest that any license granted to a recruiter for the Straits Settlements shall be cancelled on the demand of the officer in charge of the Straits depôt on reasonable cause being shown.

W. A. M. MacGregor
10-12-89

It is requested that the following number be quoted in the reply to this letter.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
SINGAPORE, 19th December, 1889.

Penang 13421/89

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor of the Straits Settlements to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th inst. forwarding copies of correspondence with the Indian Immigration Agent for this Colony on the subject of recruiting Coolies

The Chief Secretary
to the Government
of Madras.

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Corlies at Negapatam and
to state that this Govern-
ment accepts with thanks
the proposed alteration of
the Rules therein referred
to.

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time to enclose a copy of
a minute by the Indian
Immigration Agent on the
subject, dated the 10th
instant.

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your obedient servant,
J. H. Lawton
Colonial Secretary,
&c.
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From

The Hon'ble the Col. Secretary
Singapore

No 13421

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Accepting the amendments proposed alteration of the rules on the subject regarding Coolies at Negapatam and enclosing Copy of a Minute by the Indian Immigration Agent on the subject.

16th January/90, No: 27.

Order.

The amendments to 5 and 6 of the supplementary rules regarding Emigration to the Straits Settlements that were suggested in para 2 of letter dt. 884.B 5.11.89 having been accepted by the Govt. of the Straits Settlements H.E. the Gov: in Council directs that the rules specified be amended accordingly as follows:-

(H.E. the amended rules as in para 2 of No. 884-d/5.11.89).

To The Protr. of Emigrants. 6
Supt. S.S. Emigr. Depot Negapatam 33
Dist: Magte. Tanjore. 9

Dtd 23/1/90.

Encl. No. 28

Copy to the Hon: the Colonial Secy, Singapore.

Encl. No: 29.

Copy to the Govt of India, Rev: and Agricul: Dept, (Emigration) for confirmation.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements, dated Singapore, 19th December 1889, Penang No. 13421-89.

ORDER—dated 16th January 1890, No. 27, Public.

The amendments to 5 and 6 of the supplementary rules * regarding emigration to the Straits Settlements that were suggested in paragraph 2 of letter, No. 884, dated 5th November 1889, having been accepted by the Government of the Straits Settlements, His Excellency the Governor in Council directs that the rules specified be amended accordingly as follows :—

* *Vide* G.O., No. 510, Public, dated 15th May 1888.

Rule 5.—Such license shall only be granted to the following persons :—

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(True Extract.)

J. GROSE,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Protector of Emigrants, Madras.
" Superintendent, S.S. Emigration depôt, Negapatam.
" District Magistrate, Tanjore.

ENDORSEMENT—dated 16th January 1890, No. 28, Public.

Copy to the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, Singapore.

J. GROSE,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

ENDORSEMENT—dated 16th January 1890, No. 29, Public.

Copy to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department (Emigration), for confirmation.

Ag. Chief Secretary.

Exd. A. Raitt.

Govt. of {1890} Madras.

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G.O., &c., 16th January 1890,
Nos. 27—29.

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