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Sir,

In reply to your  
letter No.  $\frac{1296-1297}{1-6}$  &

d/10.9.90, I am directed  
to state that after con-  
sulting the local Protector

of and the Medical In-  
spectors of Emigrants  
this Govt. is of opinion  
that the alterations and  
amendments proposed  
in the Rules relating to  
Colonial Emigration  
may be made with  
advantage.

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From,

The Protector of Emigrants  
Madras.

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Subject

Reply to Refce re additions  
to the Colonial Emigration  
Rules.



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OFFICE OF THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,  
Madras, 24 October 1890.

From

W. P. Austin Esqre

PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,  
Madras,

To

The Hon'ble J. F. Price.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,  
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT,  
Fort St. George.

SIR,

In reply to Reference on Public C. No.  
2784, I have the honor to report that I concur  
with the Medical Inspector of Emigrants,  
who agrees with all the suggestions  
made by the Medical Committee.

The papers are herewith returned.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. P. Austin

As Protector of Emigrants

Submitted that  
the report  
that the health  
of the emigrants  
is not so good as  
it used to be  
and that the  
medical committee  
has been  
formed.

J. P. B.

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REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

EMIGRATION.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF  
MADRAS.

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TO BE RETURNED  
WITH REPLY.

8/8 October 1890

Dated Simla, the 10th September 1890.

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Referred to the  
Protector of Emigrants  
for early report on  
the points on which  
the opinion of this  
Govt. is required.

Return requested

SUBJECT.

Additions to the Colonial Emigration Rules.

Indemnified

Chief Secretary

[W. F. C.]

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3. That in every ship a strong hand-rail, 3 feet 6 inches from the deck, be fixed around the hospital and forward house, for the safety and convenience of the emigrants in rough weather.

In conclusion we are obliged to you for having our Reports put into print for facility of reference.

We have the honour to be,

GENTLEMEN,

Your obedient Servants,

PRINGLE HUGHES.

WM. HOLMAN.

THEODORE C. EVANS.

JNO. HASARD.

W. H. TINDAL KING.

JOHN PERKINS.

A. HARRISON.

FRED C. SHAW.

THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES.

Extract from a letter from the Crown Agents for the Colonies to the Colonial Office, dated 16th June, 1890.

"In conclusion, I beg to point out that the new contracts for the Coolie service to British Guiana and Trinidad will have to be made in the course of the present autumn, and that it would be very desirable that the decision of the Indian Government upon the recommendations now brought forward should be arrived at at an early date so as, if possible, to secure that those suggestions which are approved, and some of them will involve increased expense, should be incorporated in the Emigration rules prior to the completion of the new contracts."

[K. C. M.]

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As regards the resolutions bearing on your own interests, I have to inform you that your names have been included in the Colonial Office List as "Surgeons Superintendent of Coolie Emigrant Vessels," and they appear in the edition for the present year, which has just been issued. The Secretary of State has also, upon our recommendation, approved of your being paid at the rate of £1 1s. per diem from the date fixed by the Charter Party for the vessel to which you may be appointed being ready for her passengers, until you are received and maintained on board; and this rule has, as you are aware, been in force during the past season.

With reference to your other resolutions, we regret that we are unable to fetter our discretion as to the system under which Surgeons Superintendent may be appointed to Coolie Vessels, but I may inform you that it is our practice to keep a list of the nature you suggest, to which Surgeons are posted at the date on which the vessel to which they have been appointed has been fixed by the Charter to sail; and you may rely upon our continuing in the future, as we have in the past, to endeavour to serve your interests as far as may be possible consistently with the interests of the Coolies and the Colonial Governments on whose behalf we act.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

Dr. \_\_\_\_\_

Crown Agent.

No. 2.

OFFICES OF THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET, S. W.,

3rd April, 1890.

GENTLEMEN,

At a meeting of Surgeons Superintendent of Coolie Emigrant Vessels, held at these offices on the 2nd and 3rd of April, in accordance with your Circular No. 16, papers on the subjects named in the circular were laid before us, and the following is the collective expression of our almost unanimous opinion upon them:—

1. The substitution we propose in the case of return coolie vessels of certain articles of dietary for those now specified in the charters, but which are not procurable in the West Indies, is—

For Choorā—an equal weight of American Crackers.

For Sheep's Gram—an equal weight of Oats or Indian Corn.

For Coolie's Gram—an equal weight of American Crackers.

For Green Ginger—Dried Ginger in the proportion of two-thirds of the weight.

For Sooji—an equal weight of Corn Flour and Tapioca, half each.

For Bael Fruit—an equal weight of assorted Dry Confectionery.

Oil—two-thirds Cocoa-nut and one-third Mustard Oil.

Soap—500 lbs. English Marine and 270 lbs. Yellow Soap.

We notice an allusion to the cost of Choorā in Calcutta, and wish to observe that the price of Choorā in the West Indies is much greater than in India. We think that under no circumstances should the quantity of stores in lieu of articles unobtainable in the West Indies be diminished.

Circular No. 16.

OFFICES OF THE CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,  
DOWNING STREET, LONDON, S. W.,  
25th March, 1890.

SIR,

The next Meeting of Surgeons Superintendent of Coolie Emigrant Vessels will be held at this office, on Wednesday, the 2nd of April next, at noon, and I have to request that you will, if possible, arrange to be present, when papers on the following subjects will be laid before you, with the view of obtaining from you a collective expression of your opinion upon them:—

1. Proposed substitution in the case of return Coolie Vessels of certain articles of dietary for those now specified in the charters, but which are not procurable in the West Indies.

2. Suggestions of the Government Analyst of British Guiana, that the Surgeon of a Coolie Vessel should be supplied with the means of testing the purity of water and other articles of food.

3. Suggestion by Dr. Evans, as to the internal arrangements of the women's side of the hospital in Coolie Vessels.

4. Suggestions by Dr. Hughes, that on embarkation a return should be furnished to the Surgeon of all the Coolies who have been under treatment in the Depot; that the clothing, blankets, &c., should be marked with a number, to be entered on the embarkation list: and that the 'tween decks and undersides of paulins should not be tarred, but painted white.

5. Suggestion by Dr. Miley that a portion of the flour and biscuits should be carried in closed tanks: that badges be supplied to coolies: and that the clothing of the coolies be branded with their respective numbers.

6. Papers received from the Indian Government on the subject of the resolution passed by you last year in support of Dr. Gibson's recommendation for the better protection of ventilating shafts in Coolie Vessels.

7. New rules of the Indian Government relative to the artificial ventilation of Coolie Vessels.

8. Papers relative to the grant of gratuities to the Engineers and Carpenters of Coolie Vessels.

9. Suggestions of Dr. Stuart as to ventilation, vegetables and provisions, and the inconvenience of upper berths in the hospital of the "Rhône."

With regard to the resolutions which you passed at your Meeting of the 27th of March of last year, I take this opportunity of informing you that the resolutions 1, 2, 4 and 5 were referred by the Secretary of State for the Colonies in May last, for the consideration of the Government of India, but no reply has at present been received as to them, and as regards resolution 3, the Secretary of State has been in communication with the Colonial Governments, with the result that the following revised scale of gratuities to the Officers of Coolie Vessels has been adopted in the case of Trinidad, Jamaica, St. Lucia, Grenada, St. Vincent and Fiji, but has not been accepted in British Guiana, viz.:—

| Old Scale. |     |            | New Scale. |     |            |
|------------|-----|------------|------------|-----|------------|
| Master     | ... | 35 cents.  | Master     | ... | 30 cents.  |
| 1st Mate   | ... | 20 "       | 1st Mate   | ... | 15 "       |
| 2nd Mate   | ... | 20 "       | 2nd Mate   | ... | 15 "       |
| 3rd Mate   | ... | 25 "       | 3rd Mate   | ... | 25 "       |
|            |     |            | Engineer   | ... | 10 "       |
|            |     |            | Carpenter  | ... | 5 "        |
|            |     | 100 Cents. |            |     | 100 Cents. |

INDIA OFFICE,  
*London, 24th July, 1890.*

Public [Emigration]  
No. 87.

To His Excellency the Most Honourable the Governor General of India in Council.

MY LORD MARQUIS,

In continuation of my Despatch No. 66, dated the 4th of July 1889, to which I have received as yet no reply, I transmit, for the very early consideration of your Excellency in Council, copy of a letter, with its enclosures, from the Colonial Office requesting your attention to certain matters in connection with Indian Emigrant vessels. The Report of the Government Analytical Chemist at British Guiana referred to in Mr. Wingfield's letter was forwarded with my Despatch No. 139, dated the 12th of December last. ✓

2. I desire that Your Excellency in Council will favour me at an early date with the result of your consideration of the questions now referred to you.

I have the honour to be,

MY LORD MARQUIS,

Your Lordship's most obedient humble Servant,  
CROSS.

DOWNING STREET,  
*25th June, 1890.*

SIR,

With reference to the letter from this Department of the 29th of May 1889, I am directed by Lord Knutsford to transmit to you, to be laid before Viscount Cross, the accompanying printed copy of correspondence between the Crown Agents for the Colonies, and the Surgeons Superintendent of the Cooly Emigration vessels, and I am to request that the attention of the Government of India may be directed to points 2, 3, 4, and 5 submitted by the Crown Agents in their letter of the 25th of March, for the consideration of the Surgeons Superintendent, and to the recommendations of the Surgeons thereon in their letter of the 3rd of April, as well as to suggestions numbered 2 and 3 in their further letter of the 7th of May, with a view to the incorporation of these recommendations and suggestions in the Indian Emigration Rules, if the Government of India see no objection to such a course.

With reference to the precautions to be taken to detect adulteration to Ghee, referred to by the Surgeons in their letter of the 3rd of April, I am to call your attention to the Report of the Government Analytical Chemist of British Guiana for the year 1888, a copy of which was transmitted to the India Office in the letter from this Department of the 23rd of November last.

I am to request that you will move Lord Cross, in communicating these papers to the Government of India, to impress upon them the desirability of giving early consideration to the subject for the reasons indicated in the accompanying extract from a letter from the Crown Agents for the Colonies.

I am to add that the recommendation of the Surgeons in their letter of the 7th of May, that Return Immigrants from the West Indies shall be provided with three blankets, will be communicated to the West Indian Governments.

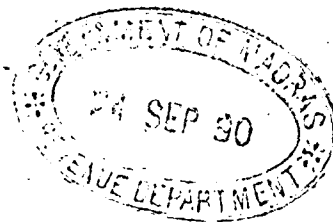
I am, &c.,

EDWARD WINGFIELD.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,  
*India Office.*

*In Public No 3129/90.*

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FROM

J. W. P. MUIR-MACKENZIE, Esq., C.S.,

*Under-Secretary to the Government of India,*

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF  
MADRAS.

Rev. & Agri. Dept.  
Emigration.

*Simla, the 10th September 1890.*

SIR,

I AM directed to forward a copy of the accompanying despatch and enclosure received from Her Majesty's Secretary of State, containing proposals made by the Crown Agents for the Colonies and Surgeons Superintendent in the Emigration Service for certain additions and amendments to the Rules relating to Colonial Emigration, and to request that the Government of India may be favoured at an early date with the opinion of *His Excellency The Governor-in-Council.*

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

*Under-Secretary to the Government of India.*

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