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Immigration

Directing that the
Govt of India be ad-
vised on the pro-
posed reduction of
the — fee in Madras.

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Forwarding copy
report from the Pro-
tector of Immigrants
concerning statistics

regarding — from
this Presidency. I
state that it is
undesirable to re-
duce the — fee

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INTER PAPER, No. 780/92

No. 2553.
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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.

Revenue & Agricultural Dept.
Emigration.

CALCUTTA, the 11th. December 1891:

SIR,

I AM directed to forward a copy of a letter * and enclosures received from the Government of Bengal, and to say that the Government of India will be glad to be favoured with the opinion of His Excellency the Governor in Council on the proposal of the Local Government to reduce the consolidated fee for every emigrant embarking for the Colonies from Rs 3 to Rs 2-8. I am to ask that, with the reply to this letter, statistics may be supplied respecting Madras Emigration of the same description as those of the Government of Bengal.

2. I am also to invite any remarks the Government of Madras may have to offer respecting the proposal to adjust the fee annually or at stated intervals, and as to the necessity of legislation for that purpose.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

Muir Mackenzie
Under-Secretary to the Government of India.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

ORDER, &c., OF GOVERNMENT—A.

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

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No. 275, dated Calcutta, the 24th November 1891.

From—C. E. BUCKLAND, Esq., *Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal, Genl. Dept.*,
To—*The Secy. to the Govt. of India*, REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPT.

WITH reference to the Notification of the Government of India, No. 7 E., dated the 29th March 1888, I am directed to point out that, at the end of 1890, the Colonial Emigration Fund in Bengal showed a balance of Rs. 8,384-6-3, which will, according to the estimates of the Protector of Emigrants, be further increased, by the end of 1891-92, to Rs. 10,495. In view of this surplus and of the increased number of coolies that has been sent of late years to the Colonies, the Protector was asked to report whether he considered a reduction in the consolidated fee of Rs. 3 levied for every emigrant embarked advisable. He has now submitted a report in which he estimates the probable expenditure for each of the five years, commencing 1892-93, at Rs. 28,500, and the number of emigrants, taking the lowest probable estimate at 11,550. This figure would give, if the consolidated fee were reduced to Rs. 2-8, a sum of Rs. 28,875, or Rs. 375 in excess of the estimated expenditure. The Lieutenant-Governor would accordingly recommend that with effect from the commencement of the next emigration season, 1892-93, the consolidated fee be reduced from Rs. 3 to Rs. 2-8.

2. I am to add that the Emigration Agents who were consulted have expressed a desire for a yearly adjustment of accounts at the close of the year in place of a fixed consolidated fee, but it is believed that this would require an amendment of the Act. It does not seem to the Lieutenant-Governor necessary to legislate for this object alone, but the request will be borne in mind if at any future time a revision of the Act is contemplated.

3. The accompanying statements furnished by the Protector of Emigrants are submitted for the information of the Government of India.

Statement showing the Colonial Emigration Receipts and Charges under Act XXI of 1883 from 1886-87 to 1890-91.

YEARS.	Number of emigrants despatched.	Rate of fee.	RECEIPTS		CHARGES		Surplus at close of year.	Deficit at close of year.	REMARKS.
			From fees.	Fr. m other sources.	Total.	Total.			
		R a. p.	R a. p.	R a. p.	R a. p.	R a. p.	R a. p.	R a. p.	
1886-87	6,470	2 8 0	16,175 0 0	2,215 0 0	18,390 0 0	29,448 0 0	...	11,058 0 0	At the close of these five years the deficit amounted to Rs.905-6-6.
1887-88	5,474	2 8 0	13,685 0 0	...	13,685 0 0	27,942 0 9	...	14,257 0 0	
1888-89	7,838	3 0 0	23,514 0 0	...	23,514 0 0	25,775 0 0	...	2,261 0 0	
1889-90	11,611	3 0 0	34,833 0 0	205 0 0	35,038 0 0	29,394 5 4	5,643 10 8	...	
1890-91	15,703	3 0 0	47,109 10 0	...	47,109 10 0	29,047 6 5	18,062 3 7	...	
TOTAL	47,096	...	1,35,316 10 0	2,420 0 0	1,37,736 10 0	1,41,606 12 6	23,705 14 3	27,611 4 9	
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Estimate of Receipts and Charges from the year 1891-92 to 1896-97.

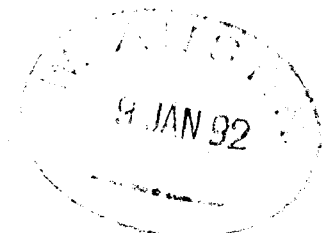
YEARS.	NUMBER OF EMIGRANTS			Rate of fee per emigrant embarked.	RECEIPTS.			CHARGES				Surplus.	Deficit.
	Despatched.	Likely to be despatched.	Total.		AMOUNT OF FEES			Paid already.	Likely to be paid.	Total.			
					Realized already.	Likely to be realized.	Total.						
1891-92	9,866	3,614	13,480	R a. p. 3 0 0	R 29,598	R 10,842	R 40,440	R a. p. 10,672 13 7	R a. p. 15,366 3 11	R a. p. 26,039 1 6	R a. p. 14,400 14 6	...	
1892-93 and following 4 years	...	11,550	11,550	2 8 0	...	28,875	28,875	...	28,500 0 0	28,500 0 0	375 0 0	...	

Statement of Emigrants despatched and likely to be despatched to the Colonies.

COLONIES.	NUMBER OF COOLIES DESPATCHED TO THE COLONIES FROM 1886-87 TO 1890-91.						SHIPMENTS OF 1891-92.				ESTIMATED SHIPMENTS FOR 1893-93 AND FOLLOWING 4 YEARS.	
	1886-87.	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	Total.	Average of 5 years.	Number already despatched.	Number to be despatched.	Total.	Average of 6 years.	Number likely to be shipped yearly.
Demerara	3,916	2,807	3,572	3,426	5,218	18,939	3,788	4,049	1,104	5,153	4,015	4,500
Trinidad	2,201	2,130	2,270	2,897	3,435	12,933	2,586	3,285	...	3,285	2,703	2,500
Natal	...	...	...	1,405	1,877	3,282	656	362	700	1,062	724	1,000
Mauritius	...	...	...	2,030	1,110	3,110	622	654	400	1,054	694	1,000
Fiji	...	537	675	583	1,171	2,966	593	456	800	1,256	703	1,000
Jamaica	...	...	...	...	1,087	1,087	217	1,060	...	1,060	358	800
St. Lucia	...	...	...	...	556	556	111	...	60	60	102	50
Surinam	353	...	1,092	1,300	1,249	3,994	798	...	550	550	757	700
Guadeloupe	...	...	229	...	...	229	45	...	...	...	...	...
	6,470	5,474	7,834	11,611	15,703	47,096	9,419	9,866	3,614	13,480	10,056	11,550

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1891.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

EMIGRATION.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

No. 2553.
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Dated Calcutta, the 11th December 1891.

Recd 21 Dec

Memo No. 46 of 8th January/92
Referred to the Protector
of Emigrants, Madras,
for remarks & submission
of the required statistics.
Submitted
Chief Secretary

9013.
6/1/92

SUBJECT.

REDUCTION of the fee charged on emigrants embarking for the Colonies.

Revenue and Agricultural Department,
(Emigration)
The 27 January 1892.

No. 128.

To The Secy to the Govt

of Madras.

SIR,

I am directed to invite attention to

the communication marginally noted,* and
to request the favour of an early reply
thereto.

Subject.

Asking the opinion of that
Govt. on the proposed reduction
of the fee levied on every
emigrant embarked for the
colonies.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

* No. 2553, dated 11 Decr '91.
subsequent reminder
No. , dated

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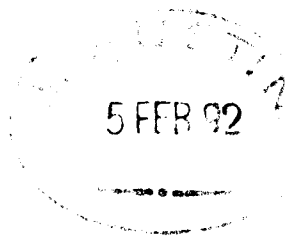
Under-Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Public Dept.

Reminded
From The Govt of India
Revenue & Agric. Dept.

forwarded to the
Protector of Emig-
-rants for early reply.
Redrickhill
Chief Secretary

30th
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No. 128

Dated 27th Jan^y 1892
Recd 31st Feb^y 1892
Regd

Re: proposed reduction of fee
levied on every emigrant embarking
for the colonies.

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No. 85

OFFICE OF THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,
Madras, 6th February 1892

From

W. Austin Egge Esq

PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,

Madras,

To

The Hon'ble J. F. Price Esq

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT,

Fort St. George,

SIR,

With reference to ~~Government Order~~ No. 468 dated 8th January 1892, I have the honor to submit my remarks on the question of reduction of the Embarkation fee and the proposed amendment therein called for.

2. The proposed reduction of the fee from Rs 2-8 to 2-0 is not in my opinion desirable at least at present and so far as this port is concerned. Emigration operations in Madras are fluctuating; there may be considerable work during a couple of years and a heavy falling off in the third. For instance 1889 and 1890 were very busy years but in 1891 work was rather slack and the current year does not promise to be so bright as either 1889 or 1890. From the statement headed estimate of Receipts and

Charges herewith submitted it will be seen that the total
of charges during 1891-92 comes to ^{Rs} 5897-13-1 and that
there is a surplus of Rs 492-2-11. This results from the
exclusion of 25 per cent on pay of clerks etc amounting
to Rs 135 a month, on account of leave and pensionary
allowances, and from the fact that the Protector and
the Medical Inspector only began to draw their increased
rates of pay from the 24th June 1891. The charges of
the year would have otherwise considerably exceeded
the receipts and the deficit would be still more if instead
of Rs 3 a head Rs 2.8 only had been levied. The figures
for 1892-93 and the four following years based on
the average of the years 1886-87 to 1890-91 show that the
charges during each of the years exceed the receipts
during the same period by about Rs 950 a year
allowing 25 per cent for leave and pensionary allowances.
Government will in that case be involved in a loss
of nearly Rs 1,000 a year and the existing surplus will not
in such circumstances long help to counterbalance
the charges. If, on the other hand, the present rate of
fee be retained there will accrue an income not only
sufficient to cover the charges but also to leave a small
surplus even should my presumption turn out to be

true. The half a rupee by which the fee is proposed
to be reduced forms but an insignificant portion
of the cost of an emigrant cost to a colonial
planter, which in my opinion, he will not
grudge and as Government does not
evidently want to make any revenue out
of emigration under section 78 of the
Act of 1883, the existing ^{Rs 882.8} surplus ^{right statement made} should
be turned to account by placing the
Protector's office on a somewhat better footing
than at present.

As regards the other proposal of
adjusting the fee annually or at stated
intervals, I consulted the Agents of both the
Colonies Natal and Mauritius who, however,
differ in their views. The former considers the
present plan of adjustment convenient in
all respects while the latter thinks that the
alternative suggested, namely, an adjust-
ment of accounts either annually or
at stated periods in lieu of a fixed
consolidated fee is the more equitable

I am myself inclined to the latter opinion.
There would then be neither surplus nor deficit
and an adequate establishment could at all
times be maintained without cost to Govern-
ment.

I regret the delay in answering the Reference
but I had to consult the Agent on the subject
and obtain certain figures from the Account-
ant-General for the preparation of the State-
ment before I could offer any
remarks.

The whole Correspondence and Public C^o.
of 1842 are herewith returned.

Have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Wm. Lushington
Protector of Emigrants.

Public Department.

From
The Protector of Emigrants.
Madras.

No. 85

27. 6. February 1892

By.
Recd. 8th February 1892

Encls. C. No. 11 and C. No. 322. 2nd
and 3rd statements (with enclos.)

Subject

Subm. remarks called for
in regard to the reduction of
the Embarkation fee from
Rs 3 to Rs 2.8-

Am.

For orders. India
has asked for reply.
attention is invited to
the notes & information
in G.O. dt 12.1.91, No. 34/35.

20B.
8/2/92

It is evident that it is not desired
to lower the fee here.
* They had apparently been
left alone in Madras

It is also evident that it is not
the intention of the Government
to reduce the fee here. The
fees are fixed by the Government
and are not subject to reduction
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Statement Showing the Colonial Emigration Receipts and Charges under Act XXI of 1883 from 1886-87 to 1890-91

Years	Number of emigrants despatched	Rate of fee	Receipts			Charges	Surplus at close of year of year	Remarks
			From Govt	From other sources	Total			
1886-87	1331	2.8	3324-8	174-8	3500--	6012--	2510--	At the close of these five years the
1887-88	916	2.8	2290--	"	2290--	5115--	"	2822-5-- Surplus amounted to Rs 8828--
1888-89	1816-	3--	5538--	861--	6399--	5355--	1044--	(a) Exclusive of Receipts in Ceylon and
1889-90	4193	3	12579--	"	12579--	4977--	7602--	Vizagapatam under Madras Act V of 1866
1890-91	3620	3	10860--	"	10860--	5343--	5517--	and Refunds.
Total 11906	"	"	34574-8	1035-0	35609--	26022--	1463--	(b) Inclusive of 25 percent on pay of
Average 2381	"	"	"	"	7126--	5360-6-4	"	clerk, &c on account of leave and
								Success in any allowance but Exclusive of
								Charges in Ceylon under Act V of 1866

Office of the Protector of Emigrants
Madras 6th February 1892

Protector of Emigrants

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 Estimate of Receipts and Charges from the Year 1891-92 to 1896-97

Years	Number of Emigrants		Rate of the per Emigrant & Embracket	Receipts			Charges		
	Despatched	Likely to be Embracketed		Ready Money	Likely to be Embracketed	Total	Ready Money	Likely to be Embracketed	Total
				R	R	R			

1891-92 1685 445 2130 Rs 3 5055 1335 6390 4837-71 1060-6 5897-13 1492-2-11

1892-93 and following 4 years 2400 2400 Rs 2-8 6000 6000 6558- 6558- 558

* This includes 25 per cent on pay of staff & on account of leave and pensionary allowance.

Protectors' Office
 Madras 6 February 1892

Protectors' Office

Statements of Emigrants despatched and likely to be despatched to the Colonies

Colonies	Number of Emigrants despatched to the Colonies		Shipments of		Estimated Shipments to	
	from 1886-87 to 1890-91		1891-92		for 1892-93 and following years	
	1886-87	1887-88 1888-89 1889-90 1890-91	Average Number already to be despatched	Number Total of to be shipped	Average Number likely to be shipped	years

Natal 196 907 1586 2651 2084 7724 1545 1753 570 2323 1675 2200

Mauritius 848 111 604 2550 2298 6412 1282 335 " 335 1125 700

Total 1344 1018 2190 5202 4382 14136 2827 2088 570 2658 2800 2900

Office of the Protector of Emigrants
Madras 6 February 1892

Protector of Emigrants

Public Dept 118

Read currents 112391

Order 127692 A 102

The Govt. of India will be addressed.

To The Protector of Emigrants 3 of Dept^r
Madras 20/2/92
Letter. A 103.

51 Captin
Sup^r 18/4/92

To The Secy to the G. of India
Rev. & Agri. Dept.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 11th December last, No. 2553/73, I am directed to forward a copy of a report by the Protector of Emigrants, Madras, furnishing the statistics regarding emigrations from this Presidency required by Govt. of India, and to state that in the opinion of this Govt. it is clear that it is inadvisable to reduce the emigration fee in Madras. I understand that the Govt. considers that there is much

No. 85 of 6/2/92

STATEMENT showing the Colonial Emigration Receipts and Charges under Act XXI of 1883 from 1886-87 to 1890-91.

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	Despatched.	Likely to be despatched.	Total.		Amount of fees.			Paid already.	Likely to be paid.	Total.		
					Realized already.	Likely to be realized.	Total.					
1891-92	9,866	3,614	13,480	RS. A. P.	RS.	RS.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
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STATEMENT of Emigrants despatched and likely to be despatched to the Colonies.

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	1886-87.	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	Total.	Average of five years.	Number already despatched.	Number to be despatched.	Total.	Average of six years.	Number likely to be shipped yearly.
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MEMORANDUM.

No 46.

Referred to the Protector of Emigrants, Madras, for remarks and submission of the required statistics.

8th January 1892.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

From W. P. AUSTIN, Esq., C.S., Protector of Emigrants, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 6th February 1892, No. 85.

With reference to Government memorandum No. 46, dated 8th January 1892, I have the honour to submit my remarks on the question of reduction of the embarkation fee and to forward the statements therein called for.

2. The proposed reduction of the fee from Rs. 3 to Rs. 2-8-0 is not, in my opinion, desirable at least at present, and so far as this port is concerned emigration operations in Madras are fluctuating; there may be considerable work during a couple of years and a heavy falling off in the third. For instance, 1889 and 1890 were very busy years, but in 1891 work was rather slack and the current year does not promise to be so bright as either 1889 or 1890. From the statement headed estimate of receipts and charges herewith submitted, it will be seen that the total of charges during 1891-92 comes to Rs. 5,897-13-1 and that there is a surplus of Rs. 492-2-11. This results from the exclusion of 25 per cent. on pay of clerks, &c., amounting to Rs. 135 a month, on account of leave and pensionary allowances and from the fact that the Protector and the Medical Inspector only began to draw their increased rates of pay from the 24th June 1891. The charges of the year would have otherwise considerably exceeded the receipts and the deficit would be still more if, instead of Rs. 3 a head, Rs. 2-8-0 only had been levied. The figures for 1892-93 and the four following years based on the average of the years 1886-87 to 1890-91 show that the charges during each of the years exceed the receipts during the same period by about Rs. 950 a year allowing 25 per cent. for leave and pensionary allowances. Government will in that case be involved in a loss of nearly Rs. 1,000 a year and the existing surplus will not in such circumstances long help to counterbalance the charges. If, on the other hand, the present rate of fee be retained, there will accrue an income not only sufficient to cover the charges, but also to leave a small surplus even should my presumption turn out to be true. The half a rupee by which the fee is proposed to be reduced forms but an insignificant portion of the cost of an emigrant cooly to a Colonial planter, which, in my opinion, he will not grudge, and as Government does not evidently want to make any revenue out of emigration under section 73 (a) of Act XXI of 1883, the existing surplus, viz., Rs. 8,828 (*vide* statement marked A) can, I think, be turned to account by placing the Protector's office on a somewhat better footing than at present.

As regards the other proposal, viz., that of adjusting the fee annually or at stated intervals, I consulted the Agents of both the Colonies, Natal and Mauritius, who, however, differ in their views. The former considers the present plan of adjustment convenient in all respects, while the latter thinks that the alternative suggested, viz., an adjustment of accounts either annually or at stated periods in lieu of a fixed consolidated fee, is the more equitable. I am myself inclined to the latter officer's view. There would then be neither surplus nor deficit and an adequate establishment could at all times be maintained without cost to Government.

I regret the delay in answering the reference, but I had to consult the Agents on the subject and to obtain certain figures from the Accountant-General for the preparation of the statements called for before I could offer my remarks.

The whole correspondence and Public C. No. 322 are herewith returned.

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Years.	Number of emigrants despatched.	Rate of fee.	Receipts.		Charges.		Surplus at close of year.	Deficit at close of year.	Remarks.
			From fees.	From other sources.	Total.	Total.			
RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
1886-87	1,331	2 8 0	3,327 8 0	174 8 0	3,502 0 0	6,012 0 0	..	2,510 0 0	At the close of these five years the surplus amounted to Rs. 8,828.
1887-88	916	2 8 0	2,290 0 0	..	2,290 0 0	5,115 0 0	..	2,825 0 0	
1888-89	1,846	3 0 0	5,538 0 0	861 0 0	6,399 0 0	6,355 0 0	1,044 0 0	..	
1889-90	4,193	3 0 0	12,579 0 0	..	12,579 0 0	4,977 0 0	7,602 0 0	..	
1890-91	3,620	3 0 0	10,860 0 0	..	10,860 0 0	5,343 0 0	5,517 0 0	..	(a) Exclusive of receipts in Ganjam and Vizagapatam under Madras Act V of 1868 and refunds. (b) Inclusive of 25 per cent. on pay of clerks, &c., on account of leave and pensionary allowances but exclusive of charges in Ganjam under Act V of 1866.
Total	11,906	..	34,594 8 0	1,035 8 0	(a) 35,630 0 0 (b) 26,802 0 0	26,802 0 0	14,163 0 0	5,335 0 0	
Average	2,381	..	..	..	7,126 0 0	5,360 6 4	..	..	

B.—ESTIMATE of Receipts and Charges from the year 1891-92 to 1896-97.

Years.	Number of emigrants.			Receipts.			Charges.				Deficit.								
				Amount of fees.		Rate of fee per emigrant embarked.	Paid already.	Likely to be paid.	Total.	Surplus.									
	Despatched.	Likely to be despatched.	Total.	Realized already.	Likely to be realized.							Total.							
													RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.
1891-92	1,685	445	2,130	5,055	1,335	6,390	4,837	7	1	1,060	6	0	5,897	13	1	492	2	11	..
1892-93 and following four years ..	..	2,400	2,400	..	6,000	6,000	..	..	..	6,558	0	0	6,558	0	0	..	..	..	558

* • This excludes 25 per cent. on pay of clerks, &c., on account of leave and pensionary allowances.

C.—STATEMENT of Emigrants despatched and likely to be despatched to the Colonies.

Colonies.	Number of emigrants despatched to the Colonies from 1886-87 to 1890-91.						Shipments of 1891-92.				Estimated shipments for 1892-93 and following four years.	
	1886-87.	1887-88.	1888-89.	1889-90.	1890-91.	Total.	Average of five years.	Number already despatched.	Number to be despatched.	Total.	Average of six years.	Number likely to be shipped yearly.
Natal	496	907	1,586	2,651	2,084	7,724	1,545	1,753	570	2,323	1,675	2,200
Mauritius	848	111	604	2,551	2,298	6,412	1,282	335	..	335	1,125	700
Total ..	1,344	1,018	2,190	5,202	4,382	14,136	2,827	2,088	570	2,658	2,800	2,900

Ed. C. A. Munisawmy.

the Protector of Emigrants, Madras.

DER—dated 12th February 1892, No. 102, Public.

The Government of India will be addressed.

[Here enter No. 103, dated 12th February 1892.]

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

Govt. of {1892} Madras.
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G.O., 12th February 1892, No. 102.

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Emigration.

Directing that the Government of India be addressed on the proposed reduction of the — fee in Madras.

12TH FEBRUARY 1892, No. 103, PUBLIC.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—from

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
FORT ST. GEORGE,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

With reference to your letter of the 11th December last, No. 2553-73, I am directed to forward copy of a report *

* No. 85 of 6th February 1892.

by the Protector of Emigrants, Madras, furnishing the statistics regarding emi-

gration from this Presidency required by Government of India, and to state that in the opinion of this Government it is clearly inadvisable to reduce the emigration fee in Madras.

2. This Government, I am to say, considers that there is much force in the Protector's remark that the reduction of the fee would form but an insignificant portion of the total cost of a cooly.

3. With reference to paragraph 2 of your letter under reply, I am to observe that it is of but little importance whether the fee is paid on registration of each cooly or adjusted in the aggregate at fixed intervals.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FORT ST. GEORGE,
12th February 1892.

Chief Secretary.

[Appendix.

APPENDIX.

From W. P. AUSTIN, Esq., C.S., Protector of Emigrants, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 6th February 1892, No. 85.

With reference to Government memorandum No. 46, dated 8th January 1892, I have the honour to submit my remarks on the question of reduction of the embarkation fee and to forward the statements therein called for.

2. The proposed reduction of the fee from Rs. 3 to Rs. 2-8-0 is not, in my opinion, desirable at least at present, and so far as this port is concerned emigration operations in Madras are fluctuating; there may be considerable work during a couple of years and a heavy falling off in the third. For instance, 1889 and 1890 were very busy years, but in 1891 work was rather slack and the current year does not promise to be so bright as either 1889 or 1890. From the statement headed estimate of receipts and charges herewith submitted, it will be seen that the total of charges during 1891-92 comes to Rs. 5,897-13-1 and that there is a surplus of Rs. 492-2-11. This results from the exclusion of 25 per cent. on pay of clerks, &c., amounting to Rs. 135 a month, on account of leave and pensionary allowances and from the fact that the Protector and the Medical Inspector only began to draw their increased rates of pay from the 24th June 1891. The charges of the year would have otherwise considerably exceeded the receipts and the deficit would be still more if, instead of Rs. 3 a head, Rs. 2-8-0 only had been levied. The figures for 1892-93 and the four following years based on the average of the years 1886-87 to 1890-91 show that the charges during each of the years exceed the receipts during the same period by about Rs. 950 a year allowing 25 per cent. for leave and pensionary allowances. Government will in that case be involved in a loss of nearly Rs. 1,000 a year and the existing surplus will not in such circumstances long help to counterbalance the charges. If, on the other hand, the present rate of fee be retained, there will accrue an income not only sufficient to cover the charges, but also to leave a small surplus even should my presumption turn out to be true. The half a rupee by which the fee is proposed to be reduced forms but an insignificant portion of the cost of an emigrant cooly to a Colonial planter, which, in my opinion, he will not grudge, and as Government does not evidently want to make any revenue out of emigration under section 73 (a) of Act XXI of 1883, the existing surplus, viz., Rs. 8,828 (*vide* statement marked A) can, I think, be turned to account by placing the Protector's office on a somewhat better footing than at present.

As regards the other proposal, viz., that of adjusting the fee annually or at stated intervals, I consulted the Agents of both the Colonies, Natal and Mauritius, who, however, differ in their views. The former considers the present plan of adjustment convenient in all respects, while the latter thinks that the alternative suggested, viz., an adjustment of accounts either annually or at stated periods in lieu of a fixed consolidated fee, is the more equitable. I am myself inclined to the latter officer's view. There would then be neither surplus nor deficit and an adequate establishment could at all times be maintained without cost to Government.

I regret the delay in answering the reference, but I had to consult the Agents on the subject and to obtain certain figures from the Accountant-General for the preparation of the statements called for before I could offer my remarks.

The whole correspondence and Public C. No. 322 are herewith returned.

A.—STATEMENT showing the Colonial Emigration Receipts and Charges under Act XXI of 1883 from 1886-87 to 1890-91.

Years.	Number of emigrants despatched.	Rate of fee.	Receipts.			Charges.		Surplus at close of year.	Deficit at close of year.	Remarks.
			From fees.	From other sources.	Total.	Total.	Total.			
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
1886-87	1,331	2 8 0	3,327 8 0	174 8 0	3,502 0 0	6,012 0 0	..	..	2,510 0 0	At the close of these five years the surplus amounted to Rs. 8,828.
1887-88	916	2 8 0	2,290 0 0	..	2,290 0 0	5,115 0 0	..	..	2,825 0 0	
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Forwarding copy of report from the Protector
of Emigrants furnishing statistics regarding —
from this Presidency and stating that it is in-
advisable to reduce the — fee.