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To,

Her Britannic Majesty's
Consul,
Guadeloupe,
Sir,

Note for the Hon.

Emigrants for Mauritius
sail from Madras only.
This may have
been a free emigrant
I have given the
Hon. Secy.

I am directed to trans-
mit to you the accom-
panying laud letter
(with abstract trans-
lations) from Michael
David, a native Chris-
tian of this Presidency
complaining of the treat-
ment he has received
at the hands of his em-
ployers, and to request
the favor of your en-
quiring into the
subject & acquainting
this Govt. with your
opinion as to the truth
or otherwise of the com-
plaint

2. Should it be the
fact that there is a
probability of the man
being detained against
his will at the risk of
his agreement I am to
assist your efforts

Public Department

From,

The Protector of Emigrants
Madras.

No 191

D/5 Apr 1892

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Recd 6/4/92

Encl. Public no 855

2 encls ret'd

Subject

Stating that no person
answering to the name of
Michael David appears to
have embarked in 1880 for
the Mauritius

Currents 855 29611

For or less whether
the consular grade.
hope may be addressed.
vide G.O. d/28.8.84, etc.
1868, etc.

Attention is invited
to the translation of the
letter d/20.9.91. The
writer's principal object
seems to be to see his
people. ^{From what he says of himself} ~~that he is not badly~~
off as regards money

N^o 109/1892

Mauritius Government Emigration Office,
Mada. 5th April 1892

To

W. J. Austin Esqr. C.D.

Protector of Emigrants
Mada.

Sir,

In reply to your letter N^o 188, dated 4 instant,
I have the honor to state that the only
vessel despatched to Mauritius
with Emigrants from this port in 1880,
sailed in July of that year, and
if Michael David went to Mauritius
in October 1880, he could not therefore
have embarked as an Emigrant from Madras.
Referred to the Depot Register for 1880 shows
no person bearing the name of Michael David.

I have the honor to be

Yours most ^{Sr} obed^t servant

(Signed) J. M. M. M.

Mauritius Emigration Office

(True copy)

Protector of Emigrants

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OFFICE OF THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS.

Madras, 5th April 1892.

From

W. Austin Esq. C.S.

PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS.

Madras.

To

The Honble J. L. Price.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Fort St. George.

In reply to your Memorandum No 609 dated 1st April 1892, I have the honor to enclose copy of letter from the Mauritius Immigration Agent No 109 dated 5th April 1892, from which it will be seen that no person answering to the name of Michael David appears to have embarked as an emigrant from Madras in 1880.

I have the honor to be

Your most obed^t servant

Protector of Emigrants
Stoke Newington

9. 4. 1858
Lancaster 1858.

Referred to the Pro-
tector of Emigrants
for report whether
there is any record
of the man named
Leaving marked at
Lancaster, a follow-
up and a subsequent
report to the
Lancaster.

Protector of Emigrants
Lancaster

(of Madras) Whether the emigrant
could not repay the money received
by him (from the white men) and obtain
his release: and write to me afterwards.

You should then tell the Governor
that your son has not come back to you
after such a long time in spite
of the several letters written to Guadeloupe,
that the white men of the above places
beat your son sorely and made him
run into another agreement, and
that several emigrants have died
not being able to work - I cannot
describe the sufferings to which our
Hindus are here subject:

Make a representation to the
Governor on behalf of these people
also. I shall send you next month
the photographs of myself, my wife
and children & some money for
your expenses. Go to the Governor
of Madras, tell him that you are
a poor man & have no money, and
request him to send you to Guadeloupe
as you desire to see your son, and not
to require you to pay passage-money for
going there and returning -
Write to about this - If you have

is not complied with, write to me
the amount of passage-money you
will have to pay for yourself, my
mother and 2 brothers, and I shall
send you a reply after consideration -

Yours
J. J. J.

A private letter written on the 20th Sept^r/91
from Guadeloupe by Michael David
to his father.

Translation of portions relating to the
subject-matter of the current

Heaven has placed me in this miserable
condition. Don't attend to my affairs
speedily. There is yet a year more for my
term to expire. Please wait till then.
Then I write to you, make all (endeavours).
I shall write to you a letter next month
and send you some money to go
you to go to Madras - go there and make
a representation to the Governors
of that place as follows:

That after the expiration of the term
of an agreement entered into by an
emigrant the white men of (Guadeloupe)
forced him to run into another agreement
by beating him severely and confining
him in a room. That a white man
afterwards put the emigrant in a bandy
and took him to the person who enters
into agreements with emigrants and
receiving a bribe from him, got the
emigrant to enter into a second agree-
ment. And that the white men
are not now disposed to send the
emigrant away).

I am drowned in such misery as
that detailed above - but don't be
afraid on any account - None of your
endeavours will avail now - I shall
write to you a letter before the expiry
of my term giving the names of
the white men & stating all
that has transpired here - If I am
not sent away on the expiry of
the term, a recommendation should
be made on my behalf and I shall
come away. The French will not
send me away before the close of the
term in spite of ~~your~~ the recommendation
you may make - Don't suppose that
all this is falsehood - I have
disclosed all the facts to you without
concealing any according to the Law
of God - If I can't come away
2 years hence, I shall write to you
a letter containing an account
of all that has transpired here
from the beginning - On receipt
of that letter, you should make
endeavours to enable me
to come back to you -

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A private letter dated 1st March 1891
written from Guadeloupe by one Michael David
to his father.

Translation of the portions of the above
letter which relate to the subject-matter
of the current.

"It is now 11 years since I came away from you
and I long to see you. I request that you will
make endeavours to enable me to return home
soon. You have written to me asking me
to return next year. The French will send me
away only after the end of my term of 5 years
and not before that. You have written to me
to say that you will make a recommendation
on my behalf. My term expires in July 1892.
If you make a recommendation on my behalf
to the Governor of this place in January
or February 1892, I shall start immediately
thereafter. Otherwise I cannot do so -
I entered into an agreement on the
13th July 1887. You ~~should~~ calculate
5 years from the above date & make
a recommendation on my behalf in a
month or two."

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Post Office Department

Esq. Lieutenant General H. M. F. F. D. R. A.
Her Britannic Majesty's Consular Agent,
Pondicherry & Karikal.

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To
The Honorable J. F. Pica
Chief Secretary

No. 100

Dated 2/10/84

Received

Recd

Enclosure

Subject.

Bringing to notice the

detained in Guadeloupe
with against his
will, and requesting
that the Government
will kindly make
such proper attention
to the French Authorities
as will

will be made
to the French Authorities
as will

A private letter of 14th July 190 written
from Guadeloupe by Michael David d
his father.

Translation of portions relating to
the subject - matter of the
current.

" On my coming to this place, I
entered into an agreement to work for
5 years - on the expiry of this term
a white man saw me beat me
severely and forced me to run into
another agreement. I refused to
do so - I was then again beaten
sovereignly. My suffering was me-
half of that which Jesus was subjected to
not being able to endure it, I entered
into an agreement to work for
another 5 years. Though the
face my mother, I have recovered to
from the pain caused by the beating
and am doing light work here
Confession and the benefit
resulting therefrom are wanting
here - I don't even go to Church

Mauritius as Emigrant,
he must have gone from
the Port of Madras and
not from Pondicherry as
mentioned in the Petition.
for there has been no
Emigration from this
port to Mauritius.

2. From the above letters
it will be seen that the
man went to Guadeloupe
from Mauritius. He is
employed at present
under the Mr. M. Pauvert.
Usine de Marthe St. Francois,
Guadeloupe, and his term
of engagement will be
over by the 12th July 1892.
He must be repatriated

of his repatriation after that
period in as much as the
Emigrants are Compelled
to run into fresh agreements
Vide Letters written by him
to his father. (Enclosures, &c.)
3. Reverend S. Guenot, S.J.,
Priest S.P.G., Nagapattinam, saw
me yesterday on the Subject,
and told me that he has also
received two or three letters from
the Emigrant to the effect that he
is detained there quite against
his will.

4. I invite your attention to the
petition and trust that the
Government will be good
enough to make such representation
to the French Authorities as
will ensure the return of the
Emigrant with his wife and
children as early as possible.

I have the honor to be,
Yours faithfully,
J. B. S. S. S.

W. L. S. S. S.

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In forwarding, herewith,
for the favorable Considera-
tion of Government, a peti-
tion from one Michael
Davasagayam, father of an
Emigrant now in Guadeloupe
named Michael David, together
with a letter from Reverend
Darvall Nagapatam, I have
the honor to observe that
as the petitioner's name
is Michael David