

Mauritius Government Emigration Agency,

Madras, 12 November 1895.

No

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Dr. J. L. Kischer

Surgeon Superintendent,

S/S "Mardha"

Madras.

SIR,

Having obtained the approval of the Hon'ble the Protector of Emigrants, I hereby appoint you to take medical charge of the Emigrants proceeding to Mauritius by the S/S "Mardha".

2. Herewith a Book of Instructions in regard to your duties on board; which instructions as well as those contained in the new Rules, are to be strictly carried out. Your attention is particularly directed to Section III, Clause 165, in which you will see that corporal punishment is, on no account to be administered.

3. You will be entitled to a gratuity or Capitation Fee, according to the scale in the Immigration Committee's Report, No. 20, of 1860, to a free first class Cabin passage to Mauritius ~~and back~~, with diet, and wines at the Captain's table; it being clearly understood, that the right of determining in which class you are to be placed, so far as your medical qualifications are concerned, rests with the Mauritius Government.

4. The free return passage aforesaid will be found for you, or its equivalent in money handed to you, only on condition that your services are not required to take medical charge of Emigrants returning to India. If, however, the return passage money has already been paid to you, and you are subsequently required to take medical charge of a return Emigrant vessel, then it is competent to the Mauritius Government or the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants, to claim a refund of the same, prior to making such appointment.

5. In case your services are required, for the purpose of taking medical charge of a Return Emigrant vessel, from Mauritius to India, you will be bound to accept the same, or forfeit all claims to a return passage to India, — whilst awaiting employment, you will be entitled to Rs. 10 per diem as alimentary allowance, and a capitation fee of Rs. 2-8 to Madras, and Rs. 3 to Calcutta, if required to go to the latter port; your passage thence to your home will be paid to you.

6. Should the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants, or the Government of Mauritius find fault with you, for any misconduct on board, either in your professional capacity, or in your general behaviour towards the Emigrants, it will be competent for either the Protector, or the Government, to make such deductions from your gratuity, or capitation fee due, as either may deem fit. ~~In case of deaths, a fine of five times the amount of capitation fee due for such Emigrant will be made.~~

7. In consideration of the above remuneration, your professional attendance is not only due to the cooly Emigrants, but also to the Commander, Officers and Crew of the S/S "Mardha". You will also have to attend to the Emigrants professionally, ~~during their stay in quarantine, and~~ at the Immigration Dépôt Mauritius, without any additional remuneration.

8. You are to make daily Reports to the Captain of the vessel, of the health of the Emigrants ~~submitting for his inspection, your Admission and Discharge Book, to which on being satisfied, he will attach his initials.~~

9. In the accompanying blank Forms of Registers, and Case Books of Sick, to be kept by you, the patients on board may be divided into 3 classes:—(1) in patients, who sleep and eat in the hospital, (2) out-patients, whose complaints do not necessitate their being inmates of the hospital, (3) Surgery patients who only come once for some trivial ailment. The Admission and Discharge Book must contain classes (1) and (2), the Case book only class (1), class (3) need not be entered on the books.

10. On reaching Mauritius, you will hand over a certified true copy of the Admission and discharge book, filled up as above, to the Health Officer. The Case Book, Register of Births and Deaths, and Register of Cholera cases may be shewn to the Health Officer, if required, but must only be delivered up to the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants, on the Emigrants being landed.

11. You will also see to the Captain's transmitting the Certificate of Health granted by me, to the Health Officer, on his approaching within the regulated distance to speak the Vessel.

12. The Cooks, Topasses, and Nurse's names as per margin, have been engaged for the voyage. It will be your duty to see, that they attend to their respective duties; and if their work is not satisfactorily performed, you are at liberty to replace them by others; to such as do perform their duties satisfactorily, you will grant each a certificate to that effect, which will entitle them to a payment of their gratuities.

13. The Register of the Emigrants vaccinated in the Dépôt, delivered to you, is to be handed over to the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants at Port Louis, with any remarks, you may desire to attach to it. Should unfortunately Small Pox make its appearance, you are to be most careful to note, whether any of those entered in the List is attacked.

14. ~~Your~~ Glasses of Lymph are given you, for use on the passage and you are to vaccinate, when you consider any requiring the operation.

15. Provisions and Medical comforts are to be indented for, on printed counterfoil Forms, herewith handed to you, and the forms of provisions issued, are to be signed by you, and the Master of the vessel every day, and to be strictly made according to the scale given in the Emigration Rules, saving such changes as you may think proper to order on medical grounds. Notes of all such deviations from the scale, will have to be kept by you, and accompanied with explanations, will have to be handed over on your arrival at Mauritius to the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants.

16. You will be pleased to take particular care to have the between decks white-washed, at least once on the voyage.

17. Spare clothing, cumblies, and flannel belts will be supplied for the use of the sick, and will be issued by the Commander on your requisition as needed, the remainder to be handed over to the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants.

18. *Sp. Morda* Under instructions from the Hon'ble the Colonial Secretary the Captain of the *Sp. Morda* has been directed on his arrival at the Mauritius to have all clothing, bedding, and other effects, which admit of it, belonging to the native passengers, and lascar portion of the crew thoroughly washed, and exposed to the sun for several hours, or otherwise, dealt with, as may be ordered by the authorities at Mauritius. All their old and unclean clothing will have to be thrown overboard; and a full suit of clean clothing ought to be in readiness for their use, at the time of debarkation; which, if the passengers are not in a position to provide for themselves, shall be supplied to them, by the Captain of the vessel, at his own expense. Unless the above instructions are attended to by the Captain, and a certificate to that effect be granted by him, free pratique will not be given to the vessel.

19. In accordance with the Proceedings of the Madras Government Public Department, No. 1338, of 21st October 1870, para. 3, calling on the Protector of Emigrants to sub-

mit to the Government annual returns of the outbreaks of Cholera, among Emigrants sailing from this port, and in order that the above return may be furnished, I particularly request you, that, should in case Cholera, break out among the Emigrants under your Medical charge, to fill in the blank form given you in duplicate, one copy being transmitted to the Protector of Emigrants at Madras, and the other to me. This form is to be filled up, in addition to the entries made in the Nominal Register of Sick and case Books.

20. Under instructions from the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants, Mauritius, I have to request your particular attention to the keeping in duplicate, of a Journal or Daily history of the incidents of the voyage; both copies to be delivered to him on landing at Mauritius. In the Journal should be noted every thing that happens during the day, as for example the hours at which the Surgeon visited the 'tween decks, whether the meals were regularly issued, whether any complaints were made, the sort of weather, the day and hour the Emigrants bathed, and washed their clothes, when the 'tween decks were disinfected, or white washed, what punishments, if any, were inflicted; whether any births occurred, &c., in fact, the Diary should be so complete, that after perusal, the Protector might know without further enquiry all that occurred on board during the voyage.

21. You will have also to keep the following records during the voyage, and make them over to the Hon'ble the Protector of Immigrants with the Nominal Roll of Emigrants embarked.

- (a) Issue of Provisions and Medical Comforts, (Forms No. 46).
- (b) Surgeon Superintendents' Journal, (No. 47).
- (c) Admission and Discharge Book, (No. 48).
- (d) Case Book, (No. 49).
- (e) Register of Births and Deaths, (No. 50).
- (f) Register of Cholera Cases, (No. 51).
- (g) Register of deceased Emigrants' Property, (No. 52).
- (h) Surgeon Superintendent's Abstract Report of Voyage, (No. 53).

22. If any of the Records deliverable by you, have not been satisfactorily kept, then you will be liable to be deprived of so much of your gratuity, as the Colonial Government may think fit.

23. The above instructions are contained in Sections 189 and 190; there are other instructions besides regarding your duties here, on board, whilst the vessel is lying in harbour, and also during the voyage, all which you will be careful to attend to.

All forms for your filling up, and signature will be handed to you, on your asking for the same.

24. According to recent instructions from the Hon'ble the Colonial Secretary, Mauritius, in his letter, No. F 237, dated 16th November 1887, it is directed that you must, if your services be required, take the medical charge of the Emigrants in quarantine, and that you will have to do so, without receiving any extra remuneration, all your expenses however, while there, will be paid by Government.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/ J. G. Curran

Mauritius Emigration Agent.

N. B.—Your attention is also specially called to the instructions contained in the copy of the letter from the Colonial Secretary, dated Downing Street, 6th December 1887.

In a letter from His Highness
of Emigrants, Madras, to the
Chief Secretary to Government
P.D. No. 479 dated 18th November
1895

Encls: No. I

Subject

Letter of appointment
of Dr. F. L. Keiser as Surgeon-
Superintendent & Wardhu

REGISTERED NO. 894
[In any future correspondence on this subject,
the above No. should be quoted.]

MAURITIUS GOVERNMENT EMIGRATION AGENCY,

Madras, 24th October 1895

To

Mr. W. Smith

Assistant Medical Officer,

S. S. "Murdha"

SIR,

I hereby appoint you as Assistant to Dr. F. L. Keiser
the Medical Officer of the S. S. "Murdha" whom you will assist
both on board and on shore as long as the Emigrants are in Depot at Mauritius.

2. ~~Under instructions from the Honorable the Colonial Secretary, in~~
~~his letter No. 758, dated 23rd April 1874, your remuneration will be annas twelve~~
~~(12) per head for every Emigrant landed alive, subject to a deduction of five~~
~~times such remuneration for every death on board. Subject to the approval~~
~~of the Honorable the Protector of Immigrants, Madras.~~
3. You will also be subject to a total forfeiture, or such deduction as
the Mauritius Government may deem necessary, for irregular conduct.

4. You will be entitled to a first class free cabin passage to Mauritius,
and to be dieted at the Captain's table with wines.

5. According to instructions from the Honorable the Colonial Secretary,
Mauritius, in his letter No. F/239, dated 16th November 1887, it is directed that
you must, if your services be required, perform the duties of Assistant to the
Medical Officer in charge of the Emigrants in quarantine, and that all your neces-
sary expenses, while you are there, will be paid by Government. You will be
paid one rupee per diem for your Medical Services in quarantine as per letter
No. F/104, dated 10th April 1890.

6. Your return passage will be provided if your services are not required
to return to India with Immigrants, and will also depend on your behaviour
during the voyage, that is, it will be granted only on your conduct being well
reported on by the Medical Officer and Commander of the steamer.

7. In case your services are required for a return Emigrant vessel from
Mauritius to India, you will be bound to render the same, or forfeit all claims to a
return passage to India.

8. Should you, however, have received your passage money, and the Honorable the Protector of Immigrants require your services to return to India with Immigrants, he, the Protector, will have a right to claim a refund of the passage money paid as aforesaid.

9. Whilst awaiting employment, you will be entitled to Rs. 5 per diem as alimentary allowance, and a capitation fee of annas twelve (12) to Madras, and annas twelve (12) to Calcutta, if required to go to the latter port, in which case your passage to your home will be paid to you.

10. According to letter No. B/195, dated 5th February 1890 from the Honorable the Protector of Immigrants, Mauritius, you will be entitled to subsistence money at the rate of Rs. 5 per diem for the number of days, not exceeding ten, you may be detained at Mauritius, awaiting an opportunity to return to Madras.

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

Sd/ J. G. Loman

Mauritius Emigration Agent.

In a letter from the Protector of
Immigrants, Madras, to the Chief
Secretary to Government P.D.N. 479
dated 15th November 1895

Enclosed N.P. 47

Part 1

Part 2

3875 Subject

Letter of appointment of Mr.
W. Smith as assistant to the
Surgical Superintendent

Higginbotham and Co. - Madras.

Mauritius Government Emigration Office,

MADRAS, 23 November 1895

WE, the undersigned, do hereby engage to serve as Cooks, Topasses, and Nurse on board the *J. S. Waidha* and to obey the orders of the Commander, Surgeon, and Officers, of the said vessel, for which we agree to receive as remuneration the sum of Rupees (9-0-0) Nine (each), together with free victualling and passage to Mauritius and back, and free board and lodging during our stay ashore at Mauritius.

only to those few who are not emigrants

We further agree that the payment of our wages shall depend on our obtaining a Certificate of having performed our duties satisfactorily from the Medical Officer in charge of the vessel.

We do (each) hereby acknowledge to have received Rupees (3-0-0) Three, as advance, out of the Rupees Nine herein above mentioned.

Witness,

W. L. Cunningham

Homan

Cooks

The & mark of *Narrainen* has been
The & mark of *Pennatt* has been
The & mark of *Manee* has been
The & mark of *Cuppusam*

Topasses

The & mark of *Sellamuttu*
The & mark of *Appadurai*
The & mark of *Shik Mahomed*
The & mark of *Polligaru*

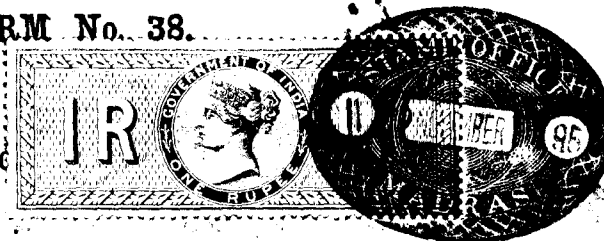
Nurse - The & mark of *Govindamath*

J. L. Loman

Mauritius Government Emigration Agent.

COLONIAL EMIGRATION FORM No. 38.

Form of Master's Bond



KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that, WHEREAS an Act XXI of 1883, entitled the Indian Emigration Act, 1883, and Rules thereunder have been passed by the Governor-General of India in Council AND WHEREAS in and by the said Act it is required that the Master of every ship chartered to carry Emigrants from India shall execute a bond binding himself and his owners in a penal sum of Rupees ten thousand to conform to the several conditions in the said Act provided; AND WHEREAS the necessary license required by the said Act for carrying 230 adult Emigrants to Mauritius has been granted to me by the Government of Madras; AND WHEREAS I Edward Robinson

at present residing in the Port of Madras, Mariner and Master and Commander of the steam vessel called the Wardha

of the burthen of 397 7/8 tons or thereabouts at present lying at Madras Harbour have agreed to execute the bond required by the said Act for the due performance of the conditions, provisos, clauses, and restrictions therein contained; AND WHEREAS I, the aforesaid Master, have further agreed on arrival at Mauritius

to moor the aforesaid vessel in such secure place as the proper authority of the port at which I shall touch direct as soon as possible after the arrival of the said vessel at Mauritius I, THE AFORESAID MASTER, am myself for myself and for the owners or owner of the aforesaid vessel firmly bound to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India in the penal sum of Rupees ten thousand of lawful money of British India to be paid to the Secretary of State for India his certain attorney, agents, successors or assigns AND for payment of which sum to be faithfully and truly made I, the aforesaid Master for and on my own behalf and on behalf of the aforesaid owners or owner of the aforesaid vessel do hereby bind myself my heirs executors and administrators firmly by these presents sealed with my seal and dated this

fourteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety five Now the conditions of this bond or obligation are such that if all and singular the conditions, provisos, clauses and restrictions which on the part and behalf of myself and the aforesaid owners or owner are or ought to be observed, abided by and kept and which are comprised and mentioned in the said Act and rules passed as aforesaid according to the true intent and meaning of the said Act and rules are done well and truly in all things abided by, observed and kept; AND if I the aforesaid Master do and shall immediately or as soon as possible after the arrival of the aforesaid vessel at Mauritius moor her or cause or procure her to be moored in such secure place as the Master Attendant or the Harbour Master or other officer duly authorized may direct or appoint. THEN this bond or obligation shall be void and of no effect OTHERWISE shall remain in full force and virtue.

Signed sealed and delivered at

Madras in the presence of

Thelanus
P. F.

E. O. Robinson

Master,
S. Ship Wardha

In a letter from the Protector of Emigrants, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, P.O. No. 479 dated 18th November 1895

Encls No. III

Subject

Agreement entered into with Cooks, Messrs, and Natives

In a letter from the Asst. Secy.
of Emigrants, Madras, to the
Chief Secy to Government
of P. & N. 479 dated 11th Nov 1895
P.S.

11th Nov 1895

Encl No 11



Subject

Master's Bonds

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Nothing was decided
about Dr. Keiser.

Mr. Cantin was deprived of
half his gratuity and
warned by the Bengal
Govt. & the Mauritius
Govt. decided that Mr C.
should never again be
employed by it.

Dr. Keiser was declared
to be blameless by the
Chief Medical Officer
at Mauritius - and
apparently the Protector
of Emigrants, Calcutta
did not think that
Dr. K. was answerable
for what had happened.

C.W.
21. 11. 95

- I. Duplicate copy of the letter from W. J. E. Constant, Mauritius Emigration Agent to D. F. L. Keiler appointing him to the medical charge of the S. L. Wardha and his agreement.
- II. Duplicate copy of the letter from W. J. E. Constant, Mauritius Emigration Agent to W. L. Smith appointing him his assistant.
- III. ~~IV.~~ Duplicate copy of agreement executed by Cook, Topeases and Naze

No. 479

OFFICE OF THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,
Madras, 18th November 1895.

From

W. H. Le Fane Esq.

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PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,

Madras,

To

The Honble W. J. F. Price C.S.I.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT,

Fort St. George.

SIR,

With reference to No. 95 of the Emigration Rules under Act XXI of 1883, I have the honor to forward herewith duplicate copies * of letters of appointment from,

W. J. E. Constant, the Mauritius
Emigration Agent to the

Surgeon and his assistant, and of the agreements entered into by him with

certain natives of India, who proceeded with Emigrants to the Mauritius

by the Steam Ship 'Wardha' which left on the

14th November 1895

2. The duplicate copy of the Bond executed by W. E. R. Robinson

Master of the Vessel, is also forwarded in accordance with clause (2) section 62 of Act XXI of 1883.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

W. H. Le Fane
Ag. Protector of Emigrants.

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To

The Chief Secretary to Govt. R No 1359 d 21 Nov 95
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Forwarding documents in
connection with the embarkation
of Coolies for the Mauritius
per SS 'Wardha'