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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

From Sir S. C. BAYLEY, K.C.S.I., C.I.E., Secretary, Political and Secret Department, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, dated London, 4th January 1895, Secretary's No. 1.

I forward herewith, for the information of His Excellency the Viceroy, copy of the marginally-noted correspondence regarding the appointment of Consular Agents at Pondicherry and Karikal, and I have to call your attention to the statement in the Foreign Office letter of 1st January 1895 that, so long as the names of the officers selected for these posts are not submitted for approval to the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, they should be restricted from performing the duties which only Consular Officers can perform.

ENCLOSURES.

Foreign Office to India Office.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Kimberley to transmit to you herewith a copy of a memorandum received from Her Majesty's Consul at Leghorn relative to the agreements brought to that port by the steamship *Skerryvore*.

I am to request that you will move Mr. Secretary Fowler to inform Lord Kimberley, if possible, of the history and nature of the arrangements by which an Indian officer acts as Consular Agent at Pondicherry and Karikal.

FOREIGN OFFICE,
14th September 1894.

(Signed) H. PERCY ANDERSON.

MEMORANDUM.

The S.S. *Skerryvore*, which arrived here on the 12th instant, had three separate agreements, an English one taken out at Cardiff for the present voyage and two lascar agreements surviving from previous voyages. The vessel had been to Pondicherry and the British Consular Agent there had on both lascar agreements made the customary endorsement (Fee 17) without affixing the Consular adhesive stamp. There was a further endorsement certifying that the lascars had made their marks in the Consular officer's presence, also without fee stamp.

On reference to Foreign Officer's List, 1894, it would appear that there was no British Consular Agent at Pondicherry at the beginning of this year. The signature on the agreements was illegible. The endorsements had been made last May.

LEGHORN,
27th August 1894.

India Office to Foreign Office.

Sir,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th September and, in reply, to invite your attention to the correspondence noted in the margin which describes the circumstances in which Indian officers were appointed to act as Consular Agents at Pondicherry and Karikal.

2. It will be seen that these Consular appointments arose out of the Convention with France for the regulation of coolie emigration to the French Colonies of Guiana and Guadeloupe.

INDIA OFFICE,
3rd December 1894.

(Signed) A. GODLEY.

Foreign Office to India Office.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 3rd ultimo respecting the circumstances in which Indian officers have been appointed to act as Consular Agents at Pondicherry and Karikal, I am directed by the Earl of Kimberley to state that, so long as the names of the officers selected for these posts by the Government of India are not submitted for the approval of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, they should be restricted from performing the duties which only Consular officers can perform.

Such duties are the services which Consular officers are obliged to render to British ships under the Merchant Shipping Act, and it is thought that, if the action of the Consular Agents is limited to emigration duties, all that is required will be done.

FOREIGN OFFICE,
1st January 1895.

(Signed) E. GREY.

No. 463 I.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Fort St. George for information and guidance.

(By Order, &c.)

FORT WILLIAM,
6th February 1895.

(Signed) H. DALY,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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Communicated to the British Consular Agent at Pondicherry and Karikal for guidance.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To British Consular Agent, Pondicherry and Karikal.

Exd. S. J. Pereira.

India office

London 4th January 1895

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Foreign Office,
December 1894
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Secretary

Political and Secret Department

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India office

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September 1861
F. O. 27th
October 1861

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(sd) A. Godley.

Foreign office to India office

Foreign office
1st January 1895.

Sir

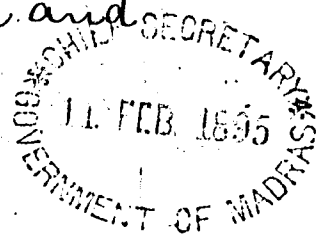
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(sd) E. Grey.

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Fort St George, for information and
guidance



By order, etc,

A. Daly.

Assistant Secretary to the
Government of India

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Foreign Department
Fort William
The 6th February 1895

From the Secretary, Political and
Secret Department, India office,
S^o 1 dated the 4th January 1895, and
enclosures.

Jaque - as to the
Sth at Kanikal, is
there not some time work
connected with Customs &
Cokein? Let us see
what Genl Macleod says
before deciding on any thing

W
21 Feb

19/2/95

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Note

Orders are requested
whether - with reference
to the G.P. on C.447 -
Genl. Macleod may
be asked d/o to submit
a complete list of the
duties which he per-
forms at present, and
to state confidentially
his opinion whether
in existing circumstances
there is any necessity
for continuing the
consular agency after
he vacates the appoint-
ment.

It would I submit be desirable
to get the list above referred
to by 18/2/95, & but I don't see
why Genl Macleod's opinion
should be asked as to the question
of the abolition of the appointment.
There seems no reason why the abolition
at Kanikal should not be done away
with. There cannot be much of any
thing in the way of work for a new

18/2/95

B. C. A. Pouché

The Hon. Mrs. B. B.
W. G. the Governor.

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Foreign Dept.

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Subject.

rwds copy of the letter from
Secy, Polk. & Secret Dept, India
ce no 1 de 4th Jan 95 & Encls
calling attention to the state in
Foreign Office letter de 1.1.95
e: the restriction to be imposed
on the officers selected for the
posts of consular agents Pondi-
cherry but whose names are
not been submd. for approval
to Secy of State for Foreign

London a rules
My dear Mr. Leod
With reference
G.O. No. 146 of this date
I am directed to ask
to submit a complete
list of the duties w
you perform as for
agent.

To Secy of State
H. Leod
25/2/95

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18/2

British Consular
Agent Pondicherry
+ Kanikal
5TC despd 7/2/95

18/2/95

I think he ought
to get this order any-
way. It will prevent him
from doing anything ultra vires.
bound to the B.

Consular Agent
Pondicherry & Kan-
for guidance.

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7510-7-75
- 2-7-74
271-1-3-74
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