

Public C.M. 148

No. 121 Public (Emigration), dated India Office, London, the 22nd November 1888.

From—THE RIGHT HON'BLE VISCOUNT CROSS, G.C.B., *Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India,*

To—The Government of India.

IN continuation of my despatch No. 94 of the 6th of September last, and with reference to your despatch No. 11, dated the 18th

Foreign Office, to India Office, dated 10th September 1888.
India " " Foreign " " 5th October 1888, and enclosure.

Foreign " " India " " 8th November 1888, and enclosures.

of August last, I transmit, for the information of Your Excellency in Council, copy of further correspondence with the Foreign Office, respecting Indian Immigration in

Réunion, Martinique, and Guadeloupe.

2. I understand that your Government have decided to suspend emigration to Martinique and Guadeloupe from the 1st instant, but I have not been officially informed of this fact.

Dated Foreign Office, London, the 10th September 1888.

From—SIR T. V. LISTER, *Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs,*

To—The Under-Secretary of State for India.

WITH reference to your letter of the 30th ultimo, J. and P. 1199, I am directed by the Marquis of Salisbury to transmit herewith the draft of an instruction which, with Lord Cross's concurrence, His Lordship proposes to address to Her Majesty's Representative in Paris on the subject of the treatment of Indian coolies in Réunion, and the suspension of emigration to Martinique and Guadeloupe.

No. J. & P. 1357, dated India Office, London, the 5th October 1888.

From—J. A. GODLEY, Esq., *Under-Secretary of State for India,*

To—The Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

I AM directed by the Secretary of State for India in Council to acknowledge the receipt of Sir T. V. Lister's letter of the 10th ultimo, transmitting draft of an instruction which the Marquis of Salisbury proposes to address to Her Majesty's Representative in Paris on the subject of the treatment of Indian coolies in Réunion, Martinique, and Guadeloupe.

In reply, I am directed to state that the proposed instruction appears to meet the views expressed in the letter from the Government of India, No. 7, dated the 9th of June last.

Viscount Cross, however, has received a further despatch from the Government of India (three copies of which are herewith forwarded) which makes it necessary to alter somewhat the reference to the re-opening of emigration to Réunion. The Government of India now declare that "under no conditions should emigration from India to Réunion be allowed to be resumed." The despatches noted on the margin of the third paragraph of their letter communicated the correspondence received from the Foreign Office in the month of May last.

Lord Cross considers that the accompanying despatch should also be sent to Her Majesty's Representative at Paris. In respect to its communication to the French Government, Lord Cross, while entertaining no objection to that course, if Lord Salisbury desires it, feels bound to point out that there are expressions in both despatches which would probably have been modified had the Government of India supposed that the despatches would be so communicated *in extenso*.

I am to return the draft, showing the modifications which Lord Cross would suggest for the consideration of the Marquis of Salisbury.

Draft.

NOTE.—The parts struck out in the draft by the Foreign Office are enclosed within brackets, and the modifications by the India Office are printed in italics.

THE correspondence which has recently passed between Her Majesty's Embassy at Paris, acting under instructions from this Department, and the French Government on the subject of the treatment of Indian coolies in French Colonies has indicated the possibility of some measures being taken by the Indian Government to protect British Indian subjects from the difficulties and disadvantages to which they are exposed.

The two accompanying despatches and enclosures from the Indian Government now contain [s] their views and decisions on the whole subject of Indian immigration in Réunion as well as their conclusions in respect of the Colonies of Martinique and Guadeloupe. I have to

June 9th (in India Office August 4th.)
August 18th (in India Office October 5th.)

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Statutory Civil Service

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READ AGAIN ORDER OF GOVERNMENT, dated
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Statutory Civilian

Public DEPARTMENT.

No.

No. 4791.89.

To

The Secretary to the Government

of India,

Home DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter No
3230. dated 17th December 1888
regarding the nomination of
Statutory Civilians, and to say
in the opinion of the
that this Government desires
to postpone the consideration
of the subject for the present.
Further postponement
might with advantage be
postponed for the present

(For orders)
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31 Dec

The Civil Service is undoubtedly below
strength at present, and we have been
continually urging this on the Government
of India. Nevertheless, I do not think it
can be said that the exigencies of the public
service forbid postponement of the appt.
of one man under the Statute. I think
it is desirable not to add to the strength
of the Statutory Service at present unless
we know something as to what the
state of that service is like. The postpone-
ment will not increase our difficulties
to such extent as would be made it desirable
to incur such addition.

The matter has better be discussed in
Council.

HCS

3 Jan

Let that go. desire to postpone
the consideration of the subject
for the present.

(In Council)

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From

The Government of India
Home Dept.

No. 3230

Dated: 17-12-88.

Recd 26-12-88

for R.D.

7.5.88

Subject.

Enquiring whether appointments
for the Statutory Civil Service should
be made at once or should be pos-
poned till the Secretary of State has
pronounced his decision on the
proposals of the Public Service Com-
mission & the recommendations of
the Govt of India & if immediate
action is thought necessary reg
Submission of the names of 3 Select
Candidates for appointment.