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Serial No. 1.

Dated Réunion, the 26th October 1895.

From—C. W. BENNETT, Esq., Her Majesty's Consul at Réunion,
To—His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor General of India.

I HAVE the honour to forward to Your Lordship a short report upon Indian Immigration at Réunion for the year 1894.

Report by Mr. Consul Bennett upon Indian Coolie Immigration at Réunion for the year 1894.

After a prolonged correspondence with the Protector of Immigrants I have been at length supplied with statistics on which I am to draw up a Report on Indian Coolie Immigration at Réunion for the year 1894.

It is useless to attempt to check the figures given by the Protector, as every attempt to do so only leads to the discovery of fresh errors and to a tedious correspondence which serves no good end.

In Annexure No. 1 I enclose a copy of a note to the Protector and of his reply from which unsatisfactory deductions can alone be drawn.

Assuming that the final figures given by the Protector are correct, which they are far from being, I send in Annexure No. 2 a return of the increase and decrease of the Indian immigrant population for 1894.

From this it will be seen that the year 1894 has seen a decrease from all causes of 3,297 in the total Indian immigrant population. The decrease includes, however, 1,788 children of under ten years of age, an actual though only a prospective loss to the indentured labour supply.

The 147 "freed from engagement" are mostly old and infirm labourers who are of no further use to the planters, and who for family reasons, or others, do not care to go back to India.

The death rate of 1894 is 1.12, or an average of 30 per thousand.

Three hundred and eighty-six deaths took place on estates employing over 20 men, and the remainder on small estates and amongst domestic servants, hawkers, &c.

It is however hardly conceivable that in an unhealthy climate like Réunion where the death rate of almost daily occurrence that the death rate should be only 30 per thousand. I know of estates where it is over 50 per thousand, but I can in no way check Mr. Malcor's figures.

In Annexure No. 3 I give a return of the general British Indian population at Réunion.

Annexure No. 3. The number of old engagés holding "permis de séjour" has very slightly increased, whilst that of Indian Traders has decreased.

Annexure No. 4. In Annexure No. 4 will be found a return of Indians and Masters condemned by the Courts during 1894, and in

Annexure No. 5 a nominal roll of masters prosecuted.

It is discouraging to notice that the condemnations to Macadam have nearly doubled in number in 1894.

Mr. Malcor explains it (Annexure No. 1) by the previous year's returns being incomplete. The chief condemnations before the superior Courts were as follows:—

Vagabondage	39
Thefts	90
Assaults	18
Prison breaking	1
Receiving stolen goods	3
Aggravated assaults	3
Fraudulent distilling	1
Crop thefts	3

The sentences varied for from five days to two years' imprisonment, the fines amounting to 1,501 francs, and costs to 4,036 francs 83 centimes; whilst a sum of 315 francs was paid for capture money.

The cases of masters condemned have been explained in Despatches Nos. 27 and 30 of the 10th of November and 5th of December 1894, to the Foreign Office, except that of Jacques de Tourris which was comparatively unimportant.

Annexure No. 6. From Annexure No. 6 it will be noticed that bounties to the amount of 201,243 francs were paid to Indians in 1894.

The taxes levied directly or indirectly on immigrants in 1894 are shown in Annexure No. 7 to have amounted to over 130,000 francs. But all the items except that for the "permis de séjour" are much understated.

A roll of complaints preferred at the Consulate during 1894 is annexed. The complaints are mostly the ordinary ones and call for no special remarks.

Annexure No. 8.

Annexure No. 9.

Annexure No. 10.

A statement of complaints brought before the Syndics is also annexed, and a roll of suicides and sudden and accidental deaths.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Nothing of importance has occurred during 1894 which appears to call for special mention.

The question of the Renewal of Emigration to Réunion has been too thoroughly discussed of late to be more than alluded to in passing.

All the conclusions arrived at have long since been in the hands of Her Majesty's Government and the Government of India. It would have been natural to conclude from the long period which has elapsed since these opinions reached London and Calcutta that the question was dead and buried, and Her Majesty's Consul would have been inclined to do all in his power to release from forced engagement the Coolies who remain in the island by putting in force the provisions of the decree of March 30, 1881, and the French Nationality Law of 1889.

The doing so, however, opened up several grave questions on which, so far back as September 21st, 1894, instructions were asked for from the Foreign Office, and as yet none have been received.

During more than twelve months the Consulate has been in a state of expectancy and its action seriously embarrassed, if not even rendered impotent by the want of instructions.

It is most earnestly to be hoped that this state of affairs will be speedily put an end to, and that the views of Her Majesty's Government and the Government of India as to the status of children, legitimate and illegitimate, born in Réunion of immigrant parents, and their obligation to forced military service under the French Colours, may be made known to me.

ANNEXURE No. 1.

No. 38, dated Réunion, the 20th August 1895.

From—C. W. BENNETT, Esq., Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at Réunion.

His Excellency the Protector of Immigrants at St. Denis.

and to the

report on Indian Immigration

I would, however, venture to ask of your courtesy to give me a copy of certain of the items—

Paragraph 1.—Births in 1894.—424.

The Syndics' returns give 442 births for 1894.

Are any of the 424 returned by M. le Protecteur births of children of the 2nd generation?

Enfants de la 2^{me} génération, 1,788.—I presume the difference between this figure and that of 2,027 given in your note No. 16 of 29th January represent deaths.

Deaths, 637.—The Syndics' returns give 637 for 1894.

Indian Immigrant population on—

December 31st, 1894	Born	1,609
	Girls	1,603
	TOTAL	3,212

Is it possible that there are 3,212 children of the 1st generation?

Paragraph 2.—It is regretted that the condemnations to Macadam are so greatly in excess of last year and hoped that the orders given by the Procureur Général for the attendance in Court of Syndics and engagistes have been duly carried out.

Do the Syndics make Macadam Returns to the Protectorate, and could such returns, without giving too much clerical trouble, be sent to me?

Paragraphs 14 and 15.—Suicides and Accidents.

Only 13 procès verbaux and 1 report have been sent to me.

Would M. le Protecteur kindly forward the missing ones so as to complete the returns (12 suicides, 7 accidents)?

Paragraph 19.—Engagements, 8,001.

The Syndics' returns give 7,764 engagements during 1894, including first engagements. Are any of the 161 first engagements those of children of the 2nd generation?

I have been greatly struck, in carefully going over the returns for 1894, with the large number of Indians who, according to the data furnished by the Syndics, are presumably entitled to freedom from engagement under the Nationality Law of 1889.

I shall shortly, however, address you a separate note upon this subject.

I have also noticed that the Syndic of St. Rose has neglected to enter the place of birth after the entry of the engagement of each Indian.

I will not now ask you to call upon him to complete all the returns from August 1894, but I should like them completed from the 1st of January 1895 and now return them to you for that purpose, and I would at the same time beg to record my thanks to all the Syndics who at considerable labour have kindly given the additional particulars required.

Many of them have even gone further and added the date of the month, commune, etc., but it would be quite sufficient if the form adopted by St. Benoit were generally used, viz., the words "India" or "Réunion" followed by the year of birth.

Paragraph 22.—Quatre cartes d'Identité.

May I ask what is the position of these men? Are they holders of permis or simply "dispensés d'engagement"?

Paragraph 25.—Nationality Law and Decree of March 30, 1881.

The Syndics' returns give 3 as liberated under the decree and 41 under the Nationality Law as against 3 and 102 given by the Protectorate.

Will you kindly let me have the number released in each commune?

From the statements sent to me by the Protectorate for the last four months of 1894, I learn that 19 Indians have benefited by the provisions of article 2, section 2 of the Decree of 1881, during that period. But on examining the text I find that apparently all but two have been affected not by the Decree of 1881 but by the Law of 1889.

Might I suggest that these two classes should be made the subject of separate monthly returns, and that the special attention of the Syndics should be called where necessary to the discrepancy noted between their returns and those of the Protectorate.

No. 130, dated 19th September 1895.

From—MONS. F. MALCOR, Protector of Emigrants at St. Denis.

To—Her Britannic Majesty's Consul at St. Denis.

J'ai l'honneur de vous adresser les explications demandées par votre lettre du 20 août dernier, No. 38, au sujet des renseignements qui vous ont été fournis pour votre statistique de 1894, envoi du 23 du mois précédent, No. 106.

Paragraphe 1.—La différence relevée entre les chiffres des naissances en 1894, donnés par le Bureau Central et par les états mensuels des Syndics, d'une part 424, de l'autre 442, s'explique par les naissances d'enfants d'indiens permissionnaires portées à tort par les Syndics parmi celles des enfants d'immigrants de la sus-dite caste.

Enfants de la 2^{me} génération, 1,788. Le chiffre donné au Consulat par lettre No. 16 du 29 Janvier dernier était de 2,027. Cette différence est due aux décès vérifiés après cette date.

Décès.—Même explication pour les décès que pour les naissances—

At 18	Chiffre du Bureau Central	637
Chiffre des Syndics	637	
Enfants.—Les chiffres des enfants immigrants Indiens au 31 Décembre 1894 sont de :		
Garçons	1,609	3,212
Filles	1,603	

Vous demandez s'il est possible qu'il y ait 3,212 de la 1^{re} génération? C'est du moins le chiffre donné par la déduction de celui de l'année précédente, y compris les naissances de 1894, des enfants de la 2^{me} génération, des 1^{re} immatriculations et des enfants décédés pendant cette même année 1894.

Pour en être absolument sûr j'ai déjà prescrit aux Syndics, par instructions du 22 Janvier dernier, No. 18, de procéder, dans leurs tournées sur les habitations et à leur bureau, au recensement particulier des enfants d'immigrants de la 1^{re} génération. Nous aurons donc une certitude à cet égard prochainement.

Paragraphe 9.—M. le Consul regrette que les condamnations disciplinaires excèdent de beaucoup celles de 1893. Cette différence, due à ce que le renseignement pris pour la dite année près des Ponts et Chaussées ne donnait qu'une partie des condamnations, lui a déjà été expliquée.

En réalité la situation est à peu près la même, en diminution cependant pour 1894. Les instructions de M. le Procureur Général sont suivies et les relevés mensuels des condamnations disciplinaires régulièrement envoyés au Bureau Central font l'objet d'un examen attentif. Je regrette beaucoup, en ce qui concerne la demande de M. le Consul, de ne pouvoir pas exiger des Syndics un état de plus quand ils en ont déjà à fournir mensuellement, outre les relevés mensuels des mutations d'engagements du mois dont un exemplaire est envoyé au Consulat pour les Indiens, sujets Britanniques, 17 y compris 5 en duplicate.

Paragraphes 14 et 15.—Tous les procès-verbaux et rapports relatifs aux suicides et accidents sont régulièrement parvenus à M. le Consul. Rectification en a d'ailleurs été faite par sa lettre du 24 août dernier.

Paragraphe 19.—1st. Dans le chiffre des engagements en 1894,—8,001 donné par le Bureau Central, les mutations de Ste. Marie, comprenant toutes les castes pour les mois de Septembre, Octobre et Novembre ont été par erreur fournies au Consulat comme engagements d'Indiens sujets Britanniques seuls. D'où la différence de 237 avec le chiffre de 7,764 accusé par les Syndics, qui est bien le chiffre vrai.

2nd.—Les enfants de la 2^{me} génération ne sont pas compris dans les 161 premiers engagements dont il est ici question.

3rd.—La réponse sur ce point viendra en son temps, lorsque M. le Consul m'en aura saisi comme il l'annonce.

4th.—Il est satisfait au désir exprimé par M. le Consul ayant pour objet de compléter par l'indication du lieu de naissance de chaque indien, les relevés mensuels de mutations de St. Rose et St. Joseph, depuis le premier Janvier 1895. Ces états complétés sont renvoyés en même temps à M. le Consul.

Paragraphe 22.—Cartes d'Identité.

Ceux qui, ayant bénéficié, à leur majorité, de l'article 2, section 2 du Décret du 30 Mars 1891, sont, en outre, saisis par la loi du 26 Juin 1889 et devenus français, reçoivent cette carte qui les met à l'abri des recherches de la police.

Paragraphe 25.—Le Service n'ayant pas à s'occuper de la loi sur la nationalité qui d'ailleurs, saisit, *ipso facto*, les enfants d'immigrants nés dans la Colonie, déclarant à leur majorité, bénéficié de l'article 2, section 2 du décret du 30 Mars 1881, les Syndics ont été en conséquence, invités à ne plus faire la distinction à ce sujet sur les relevés mensuels de mutations, puisque ce renseignement, d'après les déclarations transmises par eux au Bureau Central, est donné sur les états fournir chaque mois au Consulat.

Ces 2 catégories sont en effet distinguées par la mention "Français" inscrite en regard des noms de ceux qui, en outre, la loi sur la nationalité a saisis.

Les chiffres 3 et 102 mentionnés par le Bureau Central se trouvent d'accord avec ceux que donne le relevé ci-joint dressé à cet effet par commune, conformément à la demande de M. le Consul.

Ont été en même temps saisis par la loi de Juin 1889

Sont restés étrangers (introduits en bas âge dans la Colonie) après avoir bénéficié de l'article 2, section 2 du décret du 30 Mars 1881

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Etat numérique des Bénéficiaires de l'article 2, section 2 du Décret du 30 Mars 1881 parmi les Immigrants Indiens pendant l'année 1894.

St. Denis	8	Dont au arrivé en bas âge dans la Colonie.
St. Marie	5	
St. Suzanne	18	
St. André	7	
Salazie	6	
Bras Fanon	4	

St. Philippe	...	Ditto ditto ditto.
St. Joseph	...	
St. Pierre	20	
Entre Deux	...	
St. Louis	18	
St. Leu	7	
St. Paul	6	
Possession	1	
TOTAL	105	

ANNEXURE No. 2.

Increase and Decrease of Indian Immigrant population during 1894.

Population on December 31, 1893	21,328	
Births during 1894	434	
Ex-permissionnaires, etc., reengaged during 1894	11	
Freed from engagement	...	107
Become permissionnaires	...	98
Freed under Decree of 1881	...	3
Indentured in error	...	38
Become French	...	
Adults	102	
Children of 2nd generation from 1884—1894	1,788	
Left for Madagascar	...	1,890
Repatriated	...	5
Deaths	...	130
Wives and children of permissionnaires wrongly entered on immigration lists	...	637
Disappeared ("Grands Marrou")	...	365
	24	
	21,663	3,297
	3,297	
Total immigrant population on December 31, 1894	18,366	

ANNEXURE No. 3.

Return of General Indian Population

Class.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Contract labourers	10,536	4,618	...	15,154
Sons of Contract labourers	...	...	1,609	1,609
Girls of Contract labourers	...	...	1,603	1,603
Old engagés holding permis de séjour at 10 francs each	...	...	...	698
Old engagés holding free permis	...	...	...	354
Free Indians (500 francs to 500 francs); traders, clerks	170	...	...	170
Agriculturists (25 francs)	1	...	...	1
Wives and children of permissionnaires	...	...	...	365
Total	10,707	4,618	3,212	19,949

ANNEXURE No. 4.

Return of Indians and Masters condemned by Courts during 1894.

Designation of Courts.	Indians.	Masters.	Fines.	Costs.
			Frs. Cts.	Frs. Cts.
Before Higher Courts	283	...	1,501 0	4,036 0
Before Juges de Paix (Macadam)	958	6	3.83 0	...

ANNEXURE No. 5.

Nominal Roll of Masters who were prosecuted and condemned in 1894

Name of Master.	Nature of Complaint.	At whose request instituted.	Result.
Jacques de Tourris	Unpaid wages, three months	Consul	Paid.
A. de Villiers	Illegal imprisonment on estate. (See No. 27 of 10th November 1894.)	Do.	Indemnity of 15 francs and rupture of engagements paid.
V. Fourcade	Unpaid wages, 4 months	Do.	Do.
Ditto	2 months	Do.	Engagés withdrawn.
Ditto	Consul's request for withdrawal of all engagés from estate.	Do.	Do.
Ditto	Unpaid wages, 1½ months	Do.	Paid.

ANNEXURE No. 6.

Return of Indians engaged or re-engaged during 1894 showing amount of Bounty received.

Engagements with Bounty.	Engagements without Bounty.	Totals.	
		Engagements.	Bounty.
3,870	4,133	8,001	Frs. 201,243 Cts. 65

ANNEXURE No. 7.

Table showing Taxes, etc., levied upon Indian Immigrants and upon their engagements, showing by whom payable.

Nature of Tax.	Rate per head.	Payable by.	Total amount.	Remarks.
Poll Tax	6 Francs	Indian	76,464	At least.
Engagement Tax	6 "	Master	48,000	Do.
Permis de séjour	10 "	Indian	6,930	...
Capture money	2½ francs each arrest	Do.	315	Probably nearer 600.

ANNEXURE No. 9.
Plaintes portées devant les Juges par les Immigrants Indiens en 1894.

Nature de la Plainte.	St. Denis.	St. Marie.	St. Suzanne.	St. André.	Salazar.	Bras Parets.	St. Rose.
	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.
Réclamation de Salaires	3 1	1	5				6
Réclamation de Vivres	1	2	1				
Travail Excessif		2	12				
Vacés de fait, etc.	1 4	3	5				2
Refus de Soins Médicaux	1	1		1			
Pour forcer au Rengagement			1				
Manque de Rechanges							
Diverses	1 2	7	1			6	2
TOTAUX	6 11	1 16	25	1		6	10

ANNEXURE No. 10.
Vies par les Immigrants Indiens en 1894.

	Plaine des Palmistes.	St. Rose.	St. Philippe.	St. Joseph.	Entre Deux.	St. Pierre.	St. Lucia.	St. Lou.	St. Paul.	La Possession.	Total des Plaintes.
	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	Pondées. Non Pondées.	
	1	1				1	2	3	1	1	24
											9
											17
						6					22
											19
											1
											1
						5		2	1		32
TOTAUX	3	1		1	1	9	2	6	5	4	126

ANNEXURE No. 10.

Nominal Roll of Suicides, accidental and violent deaths amongst the Indian Immigrant population during 1894.

Date.	Name.	Name of Master or Estate.	Cause of Death.	Remarks.
January 2nd	Patsadon Gourouadon	"Rivière des Plaines"	Drowned whilst drunk	" "
" 9th	Gomoumane Hasen Sab	"Beaufonds"	Suicide by hanging	Was drunk and had had a dispute with his mistress.
February 21st	Darmalingour	Rivière des Roches	Ditto (a child of ten)	Had been corrected by his mother.
March 25th	Vingatasamy Gouraya	"Bal Air"	Killed by falling in fire at an Indian fête.	Drunk with rum and ganja.
" 26th	Carpin Nairavin	An Indian woman	Exposure and want of care	A bad case.
April 12th	Monton Lachoumarin	Unengaged	Ditto ditto	Ditto.
" 19th	Virasamy Pernal	C. Onaperry	Suicide by hanging	Alleged to be caused by fear of arrest by Police.
" 25th	Pononsamy Ayscapin	Mr. Sisco	Ditto	Alleged jealousy.
May 4th	Kicheninsamy Modaly	Mr. Yeard	Ditto	Alleged to be drunk.
" 12th	Sinamouy	"Beaufonds"	Suicide by drowning	Alleged ill health.
" 16th	Montien	"La Concorance"	Ditto hanging	A defaulting banker.
" 27th	Mary Aroujin	"La Mare"	Ditto strangulation	Reason unknown.
July 10th	Narayamin Caondin	"Quartier Francois"	Alcoholio poisoning	Died suddenly in estate hospital.
" 17th	Suquin Marin	"La Mare"	Suicide by hanging	Abandoned by his mistress.
" 31st	Armougon Marondé	Mr. K. Jorio	Ditto	Cause unknown.
August 14th	Souprayer Arnasalom	Mr. Meranga	Supposed murder	" "
September 24th	Vimootoo Marondin	"Réunion"	Suicide by hanging	Ill health.
November 27th	Mardé Vaitilingom	"Bernice"	Ditto	Ditto.

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Abstracts of complaints lodged at the Consulate by Indian Immigrants in 1894.

No.	Date.	Name of immigrant and employer, or estate on which employed.	Nature of complaint.	Reply of local authorities.	Remarks.
1	3rd January	A batch of ten men (Mr. Mazean St. Leu).	They have not been paid for four months although they have complained to the Syndic who refused to give them a pass to come to the Consulate. They have not received the full amount of their earnings and their master refused to give them the holiday to which they are entitled on the occasion of the Pongel (New Year's Day).	After a personal inquiry on the spot, the Protector admits that these complaints are true; it is his duty and given the assurance that steps have been taken to remedy the evils complained of and to prevent their recurrence.	
2	10th	Peronnel Ramin (Mme. Boret St. Paul).	Writes that he wishes to come to the Consulate to explain his grievances.	Sent by Protector.	
3	15th	Pamassy Silambaron (Mr. B. Lafon St. Paul).	Claims three months' wages which he cannot obtain although he has asked the Syndic to assist him.	This Indian owes 97 frs. 30 cts., to his master. Is a deserter and never went near the Syndic.	
4	16th	Peronnel Ramin (Mme. Boret St. Paul).	This man reads and writes English very well, and is not happy in his present position. If Mme. Boret would cancel his engagement he would gladly return his unearned bounty.	Everything has been done to give satisfaction to this man, but Mme. Boret will not cancel his engagement.	See No. 12.
4a.	16th	Soupraves Ramany ("Ravine Creuse" Estate St. André).	Is not paid regularly and being infirm would like to have his engagement cancelled.	False complaint. Although this man has become infirm through his own fault, he receives 15 francs a month: engagement cannot be cancelled.	
5	23rd	Virapin Mourquin (a permit-sioneer).	Sometimes ago he was employed by a Mr. Philippe, a hotel-keeper, whose property was suddenly seized for debt. He sent in a claim (pretentious) for his wages, but has not been paid yet.	It is quite true that a sum of 86 francs is due to this man for wages. Judgment has been given in his favour, and the matter is awaiting the fulfilment of legal formalities to receive a final solution.	
6	14th February	1. Fillams Lingama. 2. Augustine Amasalom (St. Denis).	The first claims exemption from engagement in virtue of the Nationality Law of 1889, and the second protests against the action of the Syndic in engaging her in November last, as she is French, being born in the Colony and having no civil status.	In the case of Fillams she cannot benefit by the law of 1889, because she obtained her nationality shortly before the law was promulgated in the Colony; with regard to the second woman she must fulfil legal formalities before she can become French.	This is only one of the difficulties which the Immigration Department place in the way of Indians who claim their freedom.
7	"	Colouderolon Ayacanon (Mr. Mazean St. Leu).	On the 3rd of January last he asked that his engagement might be cancelled in virtue of the Nationality Law of 1889, but nothing has been done hitherto.	It appears that there is a slight difference in the names under which this man was engaged and that in his Act of Birth. Mr. Mazean avails himself of this argument to refuse to cancel the engagement, and until the Courts decide the question Ayacanon will remain in the depot.	
8	15th	Singuin Paketan (Mr. de Jouvassourt, St. Denis).	In lieu of weekly rations he is given a bag of charcoal the sale of which does not produce sufficient to buy his food.	This man was a deserter from the 1st of October last to the end of January when he was caught by the police and sent to Macadam. Sent back to his master on the 12th of February, he disappeared on the 14th.	.....
9	17th	Joseph Montans.	Although his mother was born in the Colony, he and his sister have been arrested by the police and told to engage.	After examination of their Acts of Birth, they have been exempted from the obligation to engage.	It was no doubt hoped that no notice would be taken of these illegal engagements.
10	20th	Anouderon Morondemodely.	This woman was too ill to leave for India with the batch of coolies on the 12th instant. How is it that on the 15th she was arrested by the police who, after trying to extort the capture fee, ordered her to re-engage.	Protector tries to make out that there has been a misunderstanding, and this woman has been given a "perruque" to remain without engagement till the next ship leaves for India.	Another attempt at intimidating an Indian into engaging.
11	28th	Mariama Narayansissamy.	She wishes to accompany a Mrs. Mellon to Natal, but her husband, who has abandoned her for several years, objects to her departure and tries to exact money from her to obtain his consent to her leaving the Colony.	The husband was sent for and Mariama was eventually allowed to leave for Natal with Mr. and Mrs. Mellon.	.....
11a	1st March	Mangra Macoo (Mr. Kellier, Bras Pauant).	This man says that his engagement is over and that his master will not give him his discharge.	Engaged for three years on the 18th of April 1885, but as he is frequently in a state of desertion his engagement has not yet expired.	.....
12	14th	Montoucarpin Sallapamundin (St. Paul).	Has not received one cent. since he has been engaged to his present master.	Wages settled to the end of December last. At present only 6 frs. francs due, and that has just been paid.	.....
13	19th	Augapin Veyahoury (Mr. Robart, La Possession).	Has been assaulted by his master. Complaint made to the Local Police.	An enquiry has been made, but no steps can be taken in the absence of evidence.	.....
14	27th	Gourounadin Vaiti-Pingour (Mr. Denis, St. Rose).	A few days ago he applied to the Syndic for his discharge. He was sent back to his master, who had him condemned to 50 days Macadam.	Although the engagement is not over, Mr. Denis is willing to cancel it. The plaintiff was condemned to Macadam because he had been found vagrant. In January last alone he was arrested three times.	.....
15	27th	Cavin Virin (Mr. Derolans, St. Denis).	1. Two months' wages due. 2. A few days ago he was hit in the eye and kicked by his master. The police declined to take his charge.	1. Only the wages of the current month due. 2. Charge of assault not proved. Engagement has been cancelled by mutual consent.	.....
16	"	Soupraven Ramany (Raviné Creuse, Estate St. André).	Having lost the use of a hand he cannot engage for any manual labour. He desires to be repatriated.	He has been sent to the depot to await repatriation.	Hand lost through his own fault.
17	28th	Kesavin (Mr. Archambault, St. Denis).	Engagiste claims extra days work which are not due. Plaintiff has been returned to Engagiste without any satisfaction.	Matter laid before Juge de Paix. Indian admits claim and pays pecuniary compensation.	

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18 (See No. 20.)	28th March	Vellayondom Minatchy (Mr. Archambault, St. Denis.)	His engagement has been cancelled at the request of Mr. Archambault for his own convenience, but as Mr. Archambault claims 125 francs for unearned bounty, plaintiff objects to pay this sum.	The engagement was cancelled by mutual consent on those conditions, but if the Indian now objects to the arrangement he must go back to Mr. Archambault and finish his time.	Eventually Mme. Bérét withdrew this consent on learning that Peroumal was on the point of contracting another engagement on a neighbouring estate.
19 (See No. 4.)	29th "	Peroumal Ramin (Mme. Bérét, St. Paul).	This Indian is an educated man, and he is very unhappy where he is now working; and it would be esteemed a favour if his engagement could be cancelled and a "permis de séjour" granted to him.	In view of the reasons given the Protector Mme. Bérét has given her consent to the cancelling of Peroumal's engagement, and steps will be taken to give him a "permis de séjour."	The Protector is clearly muddled over this case. When his statements can be checked they are generally found to be wrong.
20 (See No. 18.)	31st "	Vellayondom Minatchy (Mr. Archambault, St. Denis.)	Consul reminds Protector that his reply to No. 18 does not tally with the official monthly returns relative to the amount of bounty received by the Indian.	It is admitted that the returns are wrong, and that there is a mistake in the reply to No. 18.	
21	2nd April	Lachoumanin Armonem (Mr. Robert, St. Denis.)	Says that his engagement is over and claims his livret.	On the 18th of March last the Syndic looked into this man's affairs, and on that date there were 155 "journées de rempli" due.	
22	6th "	Oussenally Adamie (Mr. Lachoumanin, Bras Pauon).	On the 3rd instant he was condemned to a fine of 10 francs for alleged impertinence towards an employé of the estate, who prosecuted and who were the witnesses heard in this case.	He was not condemned for insolence, but for not performing sufficient work in the fields. An appeal, however, has been entered against this decision of the Juge de Paix.	
23	7th "	Etonari Dinoukan.	Says that he is ill and cannot engage. Wishes to remain as a free man.	He had been given a "dispense d'engagement," but as he has been found working for high wages, this "dispense" has been withdrawn.	
24	9th "	Kichenin Ramaya (Mr. Maillot, St. Leu).	He says that he is very old and feeble and not in a position to work as an engagé. He wishes to be repatriated.	His engagement has been cancelled by his master with the view to his repatriation.	
25	10th "	Aroquion Saorispin (Mr. Archambault, St. Denis.)	Claims his discharge as his engagement is over.	Has 135 extra days to put in.	
25A	11th "	Rangan Retians (no engagement).	He is awaiting his repatriation at the depot of St. Paul, but would like to be allowed to live outside the depot.	If he can find some one who will be responsible for him this request can be granted. Otherwise he must live in the depot.	The depot of St. Paul is the common prison and a most undesirable residence.
26	18th "	Mouney Anamadé (Mr. Lamarque, St. Benoît).	He is covered with sores and his master gives him no medical assistance.	Steps taken to give satisfaction to plaintiff.	

27 (See No. 19.)	20th "	Peroumal Ramin (Mme. Bérét, St. Paul).	As this man has declined a "permis de séjour" Consul does not object to Mme. Bérét claiming him back.	Has returned to his work at Mme. Bérét's.	
27A (See Nos. 25, 26.)	22nd "	Polondevelon Ayacanon (Mr. Mazan, St. Leu).	Consul wishes to know what has been done in the case of this man, who claimed exemption from engagement in virtue of the French Nationality Law.	It has been proved that this man was born in the Colony, and having attained his majority he has become French; but he must continue to engage and Mr. Mazan will not cancel his contract.	
28 (See No. 30.)	24th April	Colondevelon Ayacanon (Mr. Mazan, St. Leu).	Consul observes that so far back as August 1892 attention was drawn to this man who then claimed French Nationality, and that the Syndic had no right to engage him.	Protector does not deny the man's French Nationality, but claims the right to engage him nevertheless.	
29	25th "	Verin Siranquin (Mr. Bellier, Bras Pauon).	Says that his engagement is over and claims his discharge.	Has 621 "journées de rempli" to put in, having spent the greater part of his time in prison.	
30 (See No. 34.)	26th "	Colondevelon Ayacanon.	Consul wants to know whether a French subject can be forced to engage under the Labour Law of the Colony? And if this is not the case, could not Colondevelon apply to the Courts for his freedom.	This man being French "il se trouve désormais placé sous la seule protection du Gouvernement Français," and the Consul's intervention is objected to.	After a long correspondence when they find it difficult to sustain their contentions, I am asked not to interfere.
31 (See No. 30.)	" "	Colondevelon Ayacanon.	With reference to the above note Colondevelon complains that when he called at the Immigration Office for a certificate of French Nationality he was violently turned out by one of the clerks.	No reply.	
32	4th May	Monyongnin Perian (Mr. Lafosse, St. Benoît.)	He is not admitted into the hospital when he is ill, and when he remains in his hut to rest, excessive deductions are made from his wages.	This man has been sent to hospital several times, and the deductions that have been made from his wages are quite regular.	
33 (See No. 47 b.)	5th "	1. Mariapin Mantouasordin. 2. Moucouany Vindasany. 3. Armongon Kaliandi (Mr. Adam de Villiers, St. Marie.)	They were locked up in a room on the estate by Mr. Adam's orders from 8 in the morning to 9 in the evening without food or water. This is not the first time that such a complaint is brought against Mr. Adam.	Matter referred to Judicial authorities for action which will be reported in due course.	Result reported to Foreign Office in Despatch No. 27 of 10th November 1894.
34 (See No. 36.)	" "	Moucouany Iachimy (Mr. Claveri, Quartier Français).	Master refuses to give his discharge although engagement is over.	Not founded. 66 "journées de rempli" still due.	
35	9th "	Sinatambly Narouapadatchy (Mr. de K. Jouguen, Quartier Français).	Was assaulted by one of the employés on the estate, and then locked up in the hospital during 8 days.	Case referred to Parquet. No action taken as there was no proof.	

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36	10th May	Monnosamy Lachimy (Mr. Clavirre, Quartier Français).	After having been here on the 6th, he was condemned to 25 days' banishment for alleged refusal to work. He only asserted his right to have his discharge.	It is in the Juge de Paix's Court that this man refused to return to his work, and he was there and then condemned to the penalty which he now complains against.	
37	15th "	Mardé Talamdr (Mr. A. de Villiers, Ste. Marie).	He is ill and cannot perform the work he engaged for. He is frequently ill treated and assaulted by Mr. Lagouque, an employé. Asks that his engagement may be cancelled.	Medical certificate forwarded to prove that the man is in a fit state to work. Charge of assault not proved and the engagement will only be broken on reimbursement of unearned bounty.	
38	22nd "	Narayana Arnoocrom (Bellier, Bras Pano).	He is always ill and cannot work. If his engagement could be cancelled he would like to be repatriated.	Engagement cannot be cancelled as this man has four years more to put in for which he has received a bounty.	
39	23rd "	Latous Jopal	White leading a cow to a field, the cow fell and broke a leg. Jopal who is only nine years old has been summoned before the Juge de Paix with the view to being made responsible for the accident to the cow.	Matter dropped.	
40	24th "	Nelamont Moteyen (Mr. Archambault, St. Denis).	Will Engagiste cancel this man's engagement in order that he may return to India together with his wife and children.	Mr. Archambault declines to cancel this engagement.	
41	29th "	Davin Enserin (Mr. A. de Villiers, St. André).	Says that his engagement is over and claims his discharge.	Has to put in 488 "journées de remploi" for time spent in prison and for illegal absence.	
42	30th "	Nallamont Moteyen (Mr. Archambault, St. Denis).	As Mr. Archambault refuses to release him, he asks that his wife and children may be allowed to live with him on the estate without engagement.	Request granted.	
43	15th June	Castoury (Credit Foncier)	Claims his discharge engagement being over.	Owes 177 "journées de remploi." Spends his time in hospital and is very lazy.	
44	" "	Gorinden Minatchy (Mr. Claverie, Ste. Suzanne).	He has claimed his discharge, but pressure is used to make him re-engage. He has been refused a "permis de circulation." Mr. Claverie keeps a shop where he sells goods to his Indians.	He has 84 "journées de remploi" to put in and no pressure has been used to make him re-engage. Syndic is instructed to warn Mr. Claverie that he has no right to give "bons" on this shop to Indians.	
45	18th "	Sinacoupin Ringapacomer (Mr. Comorassamy).	His Engagiste claims 164 francs from him, and I would like to know how this sum is composed.	On engaging Sinacoupin received an advance of 191 francs, and this sum has since been increased by various fines, etc. After deducting the amounts remitted there is a sum of 164 francs still due.	

45	20th "	Timadon Pory (Renaissance Estado, Ste. Marie).	His engagement is over, and he is awaiting his repatriation; but his mother is still under engagement and he cannot leave without her. Will the Protector kindly try and obtain her release?	Timadon's mother's engagement will only seem to an end in February 1895, and it cannot be cancelled.	This woman's engagement was eventually cancelled on my appealing to the Manager of the Estate direct.
46	" "	Monnien Panondouran (Mr. Adam de Villiers, Bras Pano).	Leave having been refused him to attend his father-in-law's funeral, he went to the funeral without his master's leave. On his return he was sent to the Juge de Paix and condemned to 15 days' banishment for alleged insubordination.	It is quite true that the Indian asked for and was refused leave to attend a funeral, but he did not say it was his father-in-law's.	Appeal entered at request of Consulate against this judgment which, however, was confirmed by the Tribunal of St. Denis.
47	2nd July	Casimacab Samalavontin (Mr. de Kéréquen, St. Pierre).	To be engaged for three years or for five years, and if for three years is his engagement over.	Engaged for five years and has been often condemned to imprisonment which will throw back the date of expiration of his engagement.	
47	12th "	Virapin Tolimonten (Seilaque, Salazie).	He is old and infirm and unable to engage. Can he be given a "dispense d'engagement"?	Request granted.	
47	13th "	(See No. 33 of 5th May)	These men ask that their engagements may be cancelled in order that they may be repatriated although reserving their right to sue Mr. Adam for illegal imprisonment.	Mr. Adam is willing to cancel the engagement if the plaintiffs will consider this as sufficient reparation for the illegal imprisonment. This of course will not stop the action of the judicial authorities.	Mr. Adam was tried before the St. Denis Assizes and acquitted, but subsequently, as reported in my Despatch No. 27 of November 10th, 1894, to the Foreign Office, was condemned in a civil action.
48	16th "	Vellin Vayabourg, St. André	He is a "dispensé d'engagement" and for five months has been employed by the Syndic of St. André who has not paid him any wages.	He was not employed by the Syndic of St. André as alleged. He merely obtained permission to cultivate a corner of the Syndic's garden for himself.	
49	17th "	Monnosamy Arnasalora (Mr. de Kéréquen, Quartier Français).	Has not been paid the whole of his wages although he has complained to the Syndic.	After examining the accounts the Syndic found that there was no ground for complaint.	
50	18th "	Pejarali Jamane (Mr. Aubry, St. Louis).	Has not been paid for four months, and Mr. Aubry is using pressure to make him re-engage.	No wages due, and it is the Indian who asked Mr. Aubry to engage him with an advance of 200 francs.	
51	" "	Compon Narayassamy (Mr. J. Orré, St. Pierre).	Her engagement is over, but her master claims six months' "journées de remploi" which are not due.	Engagement is not over as this woman has had six months' prison for theft.	
52	9th August	Tévin Tévin (Crédit Foncier, St. Paul).	While at the police station to settle a quarrel with one of the employes of the estate, he was roughly treated by the policeman in charge of the station who put him in irons and gave him a kick on the chin inflicting a wound.	Tévin Tévin is said to have been drunk and to have caused the wound on his chin by a fall in the police station.	It is a strange coincidence that whenever an Indian falls in the neighbourhood of a policeman he always hurts himself.

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53	7th August	Rompier Kohar Kohar (Mr. J. de l'ouris, St. Denis).	Three months' wages due and he cannot get paid.	It is the Indian who owes some money to his master. Engagement has been cancelled.	
54	13th "	Ramamy Anamaniaik (Crédit Foncier, St. Suzanne).	Says that his engagement is over, and that he cannot obtain his discharge.	Engagement will only expire on the 18th of January 1895 when he will have to put in extra days.	
55	"	Coupegen Sioan (Ste. Marie).	Has asked to be repatriated but Syndic refuses to submit him into the dépôt.	Complaint not founded.	
56	17th "	Mr. Adam's Indians (see No. 476).	They wish to go to the estate to fetch their effects. Will M. le Protector send them in charge of a policeman in order to avoid disagreements with Mr. Adam.	They were sent to the estate as requested, took their effects and returned to the dépôt the same day.	
57	23rd "	Pattiana Nandia (St. Louis).	With the view to applying for a "permis de séjour" this woman asks that she may be supplied with her Act of Birth.	Her birth was not duly declared and she has no civil status. Is said to have been born at St. Louis about the year 1864.	
58	27th "	Ernestine Cavery.	Her engagement is over and she cannot find another master for the present, because she is in the family way. May she reside freely at her mother's for some time.	Request granted.	
59	29th "	Pattiana Nandia.	As her birth has not been declared she claims French Nationality for her children and herself and exemption from engagement.	Request granted as regards the children, but Pattiana must continue to engage as an immigrant under the decree of 9th March 1881.	
60	4th September.	Sineya Ramamy.	Is blind and infirm and wishes to be sent back to India.	He now asks for a "dispense d'engagement" and not his repatriation. If he is really blind, he will be given the "dispense."	
61	21st "	"Surprise" Indians (6) (Mme. Fourcade, St. Leu).	They have not been paid for the last seven months.	The complaint is quite founded. Mme. Fourcade has been condemned to pay part of the wages due, and if the remainder is not paid steps will be taken to cancel the engagements of all Indians on that estate.	If the Syndic had done his duty and insisted on the Indians being paid every two months this state of affairs could never have occurred.
62	22nd "	Cavahady Sokelingom (Mr. Condere, La Possession).	His master has deducted from his wages 20 francs which had been given to him as bounty on engaging.	The Indian has withdrawn his complaint.	

63	1st October	Mangri Ramamy (Mr. A. de Villiers, Ste. Marie).	This woman who is married and has eight children has been refused a copy of her "metricule générale."	Document forwarded to Consulate.	
64	5th "	Léon Angama (Mr. Langandin, St. Denis).	He is a hawker of bread and when he does not manage to sell all that is given to him, the value of what remains is deducted from his wages.	No such deductions appear in the accounts of wages and have never been made.	
65	6th "	Augustine Balouradja Garsault, St. Paul).	Complains of ill-treatment and asks that his engagement may be cancelled on the ground that he is entitled to the benefits of the French Nationality Law.	The complaint of ill-treatment not proven, but engagement has been cancelled.	
66	6th "	Emile Thérédia (Mr. Garsault, St. Paul).	He says that his mother was born in Pondicherry and as he himself was born in Réunion, he claims French Nationality.	It is for the Indian to prove that his mother was born in Pondicherry, and even then he would have to engage under the decree of 30th March 1881.	
67	8th "	Moussamy Pernal (Mr. de Roland, St. Denis).	Is engaged to sell milk, but on being told to wash some bottles at 8 o'clock at night he refused to do so and was fined 10 francs by the Juge de Paix for refusing to work.	The facts are correctly stated by the Indian. Engagement has been cancelled by mutual consent.	
68	9th "	Govindasamy Naiken (Mr. Archambault, St. Denis).	On last pay day he did not receive the full amount due to him for wages.	So far from not having received his wages he has been paid a good deal more for extra work.	
69	11th "	L. Kanjadevin Capadevin 2. Simin Soupin (Mr. Laperrière, St. Paul).	He also gives information that yesterday two of his comrades were arrested and marched off to the police station without apparent cause.	The Indians who have been arrested have to appear before the Juge de Paix for having refused to work.	
70	12th "	Palin Ayalon (Mr. Vidot, St. André).	They are made to work more than the regulation hours without extra remuneration.	After engaging and receiving their bounties these men disappeared and have lived in prison or in desertion.	
71	19th "	Virapin Matien (Mr. A. de Villiers, Ste. Marie).	Whenever he is tired and remains in his hut to rest, he is apprehended and condemned to Macadam.	They can therefore hardly criticize the work given on that estate.	
72	22nd "	Alamelon Vingdasalom (J. B. Virage).	For the last nine months this man has been treated in hospital for a venereal disease which the doctor now declares to be incurable. Under those conditions he asks that his engagement may be cancelled in order that he may be repatriated.	False complaint. Is a confirmed deserter, and on leaving the Consulate did not return to his district.	
			Is in bad health and cannot re-engage, but if she were granted a "dispense d'engagement" her ex-engagement would continue to look after her.	This man owes more than 300 francs to Mr. Adam and the engagement will only be cancelled on this sum being refunded. Although this man has received a heavy bounty, he has never given a single day's work to Mr. Adam, his time having been spent in desertion and in hospital.	
				Arrangement sanctioned by Protector.	

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73	25th October	J. Santiamon Sambouca (Mr. Dover, St. Denis).	He is ill and his master does not give him any medicine. Claims French Nationality, having been born in the Colony.	This man is not ill and moreover is not engaged to Mr. Dover. He has no engagement at present. His birth was not declared.	
74 (See No. 47 & 5)	29th "	Mr. Adam's Indians (Sto. Marie).	The criminal action against Mr. Adam having failed, they ask that a civil action for damages may be entered against him. In the meanwhile it is to be hoped that these men will not be sent back to Mr. Adam's Estate.	In Protector's opinion the men should be sent back to their masters, and he will use his influence to have the engagements cancelled.	After a long correspondence and reference to the Governor of the Colony the Indians received 15 francs each, and the unearned bounty was abandoned in their favour.
75	29th "	Patché Nanyanapadéachy (St. Denis).	Her engagement has expired, but her husband is still engaged. She has been arrested and made to pay the capture fee, because she was living with her husband without an engagement.	When this woman's engagement came to an end, she should have obtained from the Syndic a pass to await the expiration of her husband's engagement. Having no papers, she was arrested by the police.	
76	31st "	1. Sinatamby Amaye 2. Bisseeser Batchia Pirane, St. Paul.	Their engagements are over, but they have to put in some extra days for illegal absence, etc. They are willing to pay the equivalent of these extra days out of two months' wages that are due to them.	Mr. Pirane has refused to accept this arrangement and insists on the Indians working out their engagements.	
76 b.	" "	Rangasamy Mouviapa (Mme. Barbot, St. Louis).	Engagement is over, but master refuses to give him his livret.	Engagement is not over.	
77 (See No. 84.)	2nd November	Simbin Montonsamy (Mr. Vinson, Sto. Marie).	Has been assaulted and bears traces of ill usage.	Matter laid before Parquet. Result of inquiry will be reported later on.	There was no evidence and the case was dropped by Parquet.
78	5th "	Maria Alequary	This woman has three children born in the Colony and as she herself was born here she asks that their names may be struck off the Immigration List.	Steps are being taken to give satisfaction to this request if the children belong to the 2nd generation of those born in the Colony.	
79	9th "	Rangasamy Permaunak ("Kavine Glissante," St. Rose).	Desires to obtain a "permis de séjour" after 25 years' service in the Colony. Is personally known to the Consul, who gives him a good character.	He must apply to the Director de l'Intérieur who alone issues permits. When the time comes for it, the Protector will favourably recommend this application.	After all this Indian changed his mind and applied for his repatriation.
80	10th "	Sineamy Maaga (Mr. Orré, St. Pierre). (See No. 263)	His engagement is over and he claims his discharge, as well as exemption from the obligation to engage in future, being born in the Colony.	Engagement not over, and cannot fall under the Nationality Law of 1880, having attained his majority before the promulgation of this law.	

81	12th November	Vineeratasamy Narimbun (Mr. Gallant, St. Leu).	He is not paid his wages regularly and the rations are bad and insufficient. Moreover, Mr. Gallant has borrowed from him 275 francs which he refuses to reimburse.	Complaint regarding wages and rations not founded. Mr. Gallant has given a bill to this Indian for the 275 francs in question, and this bill will only fall due on the 21st of February next.	This Mr. Gallant had borrowed money from other Indians also, and did not pay when the bills were due, although he was sued in Court for debt.
82	14th "	Perianin Moutoocamin (Mr. de Fourris, Rivière des Plaines).	He suffers from his eyes and cannot work in the sun. He is prepared to refund the bounty if his master will cancel his engagement.	There is nothing the matter with this man's eyes and he must return to his work.	
83	20th "	Maria Sinapin	Claims exemption from engagement under law of June 1880 on nationality.	Request granted, plaintiff's father having been a per-missionnaire.	
84 (See No. 77.)	21st "	Simbin Montonsamy (Mr. Vinson, Sto. Marie).	He is submitted to pretty hardships because he lodged a complaint at the Consulate some time ago.	Not founded.	
85	27th "	1. Bramaya Ramachetty 2. Sambandun Rangareddy (Mr. Morange, St. Anne).	Their rice is of bad quality and insufficient. Wages not paid regularly.	Mr. Morange employs a great number of Indians, who find their rations quite satisfactory, and there is no foundation for the complaint regarding wages.	Is only 13 years old.
86	28th "	Monton Arwongom (Mr. Rosse, St. Paul).	For the last five months he has not been paid regularly, having received only a few "bons" exchangeable against merchandise in local "boutique." This man claims the benefits of the Nationality Law of 1880.	The engagements owed only 34 centimes to this man and this amount has been paid. Mr. Rosse has been warned that he must discontinue his practice of issuing "bons" to his engagés. Will only be able to claim benefits of the law of 1880 on attaining his majority.	
87	" "	Mario Amourdom (Mr. A. Samurety, St. Denis).	A policeman has tried to intimidate her into engaging her son Louis Amourdom, but as her children belong to the 2nd generation born in the Colony she protests against the pretention of the local authorities.	It is by mistake that the policeman informed this woman that her child must engage. His name has been struck off the lists of the Immigration Office.	.....
88	30th "	Three Indian women (St. Denis).	Between them they have seven children who are in a position to claim French Nationality. In order that they may not be submitted to any vexatious acts on the part of the police later on, they would like their children's names struck off the Immigration lists.	Satisfaction eventually given (with some difficulty however).	.....
89	8th December	Carpanin Cojondéchy (Mr. A. de Villiers, Bas Panoa).	His engagement is over, but the engagiste claims from him a sum of 80 francs which he says is not due.	This man consulted and was operated upon by a doctor who was not the medical officer of the Estate. Under those conditions he must pay out of his wages the fee of 50 francs charged by that doctor.	.....
90	12th "	Eugénie Ellama (Mme. Dupont, St. Denis).	Her engagiste owes her 12 months' wages. Asks that her engagement may be cancelled.	Mme. Dupont has been condemned to pay 10 months' wages due.	.....
91	14th "	1. Virapin Sagrandon 2. Mourouguin Alamelon	Claim exemption from obligation to engage in virtue of French Nationality Law of 1880.	Although these Indians were born in the Colony they cannot fall under that law.	

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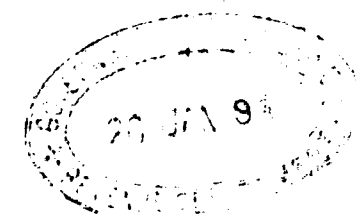
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