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G.O., No. 1171

DATED 3- 11- 96

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Forwarding to the Ceylon Govt proceedings
of the Board of Revenue on the subject of
the maintenance of a register of immigrants
despatched by Govt vessels from India to
Ceylon and suggesting that the informa-
tion referred to by the Board may be furnished.

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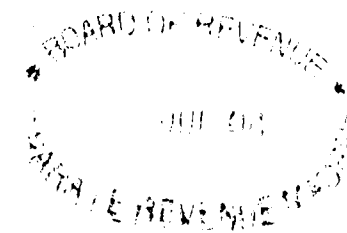
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Subject

Requesting to direct the
use by the Immigration of-
ficer at Tuticorin, of the
accompanying form which
is a register of Immigrants
despatched by Govt Vessels
from India to Ceylon.

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SECRETARY OF MADRAS
10 JUL 1896

I am desired by the Governor of Ceylon to request that you will be good enough with the permission of His Excellency the Governor in Council to direct the use in future by the Immigration Officer at Duticorin of the form attached hereto, which is a register of Immigrants despatched by Government vessels from India to Ceylon, the object in view being to ensure the immigration of bona fide coolies only. A supply of the form for present use accompanies this letter.

your obedient servant,

The Chief Secretary
to Government,
Fort St George,
Madras.

L. D. Hunt
for Colonial Secretary

Govt. Agent
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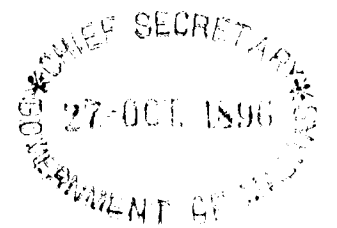
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Superintendent of Immigration

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*From the Secretary to the Commissioners
of Salt, Akkai and Separate Revenue*

Order

His No. 4321

Dated 14th October 1896

Received 27 Oct

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SUBJECT.

*Reporting to Government on
the question of the maintenance
by the officers of this Province
of a register of Immigrants
despatched by Government
Vessels from India to Ceylon
referred to by the Colonial
Secretary Colombo.*

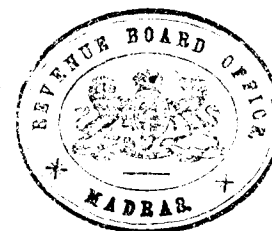
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Separate Revenue),

Dated 14th October, 1896.

Mis No. 4321.

Read endorsement of the Chief Secretary to Government,
Public Department, No. 1454, dated 21st July 1896
on letter from the Colonial
Secretary, Colombo. Current No. 2255
dated 7th July 1896, and the follow-
ing Board's Reference thereon, dated
20th August 1896:—

"The Collector of ^{of} Tinnevely is requested
to report whether he understands what
the Colonial Secretary Colombo wants
in his letter transferred with the
Government endorsement, read above,
and whether the register referred to
can be kept."

Read also the following letter
from the Collector of Tinnevely

Disposed.

Disposal No 459 of '96, dated
16th ^{Sep} September 1896.:-

" In reply to Board's
reference dated 20th August 1896
on Government Register No 839
of 1896 I have the honor to
report that emigration to Ceylon
is not regulated and no register
is maintained of Cooly emigrants.
All that is done at present is to
count the total number of
passengers including Coolies.
The Port Officer at Tuticorin
reports that it will not be
possible to maintain the registers
required without a special clerk.
The registering officer, however,
cannot compel passengers to
furnish information as to the
purpose of journey and there is
no guarantee that the information
furnished by each passenger
will be accurate. If the Ceylon
Government

Government really wishes to
introduce any restriction in regard
to Cooly emigration, it can only
be done under legislative enactment
similar to Act V of 1866, and under
proper regulation. The infor-
mation required can be conveniently
collected at Pamban where Coolies
cross over in vessels hired by the
Government of Ceylon.

2. The forms of registers received
with the Board's reference is
returned. "

Resolution

With reference to the
Government endorsement read above
transferring a letter from the Colonial
Secretary, Colombo, requesting that the
Immigration Officer at Tuticorin
may be instructed to maintain a
register of immigrants despatched

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by Government vessels from India
to Ceylon, the Board begs leave to
report that no Government vessels are
re-employed for the transport of Coolies
or from India to Ceylon via Tuticorin.
It is understood, however, that Coolies
are transported in Government vessels
from Panbani to Ceylon. Possibly
this is what the Ceylon Government
refers to. If it will furnish parti-
culars of the probable number of
Coolies who emigrate thence and the
rules in force with regard to their
emigration the Board will make
the necessary arrangements through
the Sea Customs Superintendent, if
the establishment is strong enough
to do the additional work. At present
no control whatever is exercised over
their emigration, and there is no emi-
gration agent.

Public Dept
C. No 3592

No 1171 of 3rd Nov 1896

To The Honble the Colonial Secy
Colombo

Sir,
With ref to your letter
of the 7th July last, without
number, requesting that a
cert ain form maybe used
in future by the Immigration
officer, Tuticorin, I am directed
to forward copy of a Reso-
lution of the Board of Revenue,
Madras, No 4321, of 14th October
1896, to suggest that the in-
formation referred to therein
may be furnished.

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30/11/96

M. J. V.

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Chief
The Secretary to Government,
Public Department
to the Colonial Secretary, Ceylon

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