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[Despatch Abstract.]

According report from the Protector of Emigrants on the emigrants who returned from the Mauritius ^{on board the} S.S. "Marska" ^{as far as} ~~from~~ Colombo and thence by the S.S. "Fazilka" and recommending to the Govt of India that a rule be laid down specifically forbidding the practice of transshipping Emigrants on the outward or the homeward voyage.

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The Protector of Emigrants
Madras

Dated 1st December '96

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Submitting report with
remarks on the returned
Emigrant to from the train
by the SS 'Fazilka' which
arrived on the 23rd November

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Am. J. ...

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COLONIAL EMIGRATION FORM No. 57.

Form of Protector's Report on Return Emigrant Ship.

Report on the returned Emigrants from Madras by the Steam Ship British India

SS Fagetta arrived at Madras on the 23rd November 96

Name of Master .. W. E. ...
 Name of Surgeon .. W. E. ...
 Name of Assistant Surgeon .. W. E. ...
 Date of Departure from Madras 7th November 96
 Date of Arrival at Madras 23rd November 96
 Ports at which the ship touched Colombo and Pondicherry

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Classification of Emigrants.	EMARKED.		DIED DURING THE VOYAGE.		LANDED.		Total.
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
Adults of 16 years of age and upwards ..	157	58	2	1	155	57	212
Migrants from under 16 to 2 years of age ..	33	34	-	-	33	34	67
Under 2 years of age ..	3	1	1	-	2	1	3
Infants { Male ..	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
{ Female ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Born during the voyage							
Total ..	194	93	3	1	191	92	283

Mortality during the 1990s

Serial No.	Name.	Sex.	Age.		Disease.	Date of admission.	Date of Discharge.	Total Deaths.	Percentage of Deaths.	Remarks.
			Years.	Months.						
1.	Sturmy	Female	-	-	Rickets	7 Nov 1914	13 Nov 1914			
2.	Cherrie	Male	60	-	Phthisis	8 Dec 1914	13 Nov 1914			
3.	Meister	Male	23	11	General debility	10 Nov 1914	16 Nov 1914	4	0.13	
4.	Brick	Male	70	1	Ch. Bronchitis	13 Nov 1914	18 Nov 1914			

Particulars of Estates of Deceased Emigrants.

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Remarks by the Protector of Emigrants

The SS 'Mauritius' left the Mauritius on the 7th inst. with emigrants on board for Madras, Pondicherry & Calcutta and arrived at Calcutta on the 17th idem where on the 18th inst. she was transhipped on board the SS 'Fazilka' which was at Calcutta on the morning of the 23rd. The rules are silent about transhipment but I question the advisability of it, for there will in such case be found great difficulty in instituting a satisfactory enquiry as to any complaints that might be made by the coolies against the officers of the transshipping vessel of which, however, there was fortunately none in this instance. The number of coolies destined for this Port was 283. There were deaths during the voyage and I think that 283 Madras coolies were landed and inspected as usual. 50 paid their passage back. 10 went to the hospital and the rest were despatched to their respective destinations at the expense of the Colony. There was a case of confinement on board on the day previous to arrival here; the woman was on the medical staff advice landed carefully and sent immediately to the hospital. The coolies looked unusually healthy and happy on shore with satisfaction of their treatment both during the voyage and in the Colony and I can confidently state that a better batch from Mauritius has not come up before me.

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OFFICE OF THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,
Madras, 1st December 1896

From

W. Austin Esq.

PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,
Madras,

To

The Honble Mr. A. T. Arundel

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT,

Fort St. George.

SIR,

Enclos.

I have the honor to submit my report, with remarks, on the returned Emigrants from the 'Mauritius' by the SS. 'Fazilka' which arrived here on the 23rd November 96.

2. The papers received in connection with this vessel are herewith submitted and I request that they may be returned for record in this office when no longer required.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Protector of Emigrants.

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

Please see
portions marked ¹³³⁵⁻²¹
B. C. D. E. & F.

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C.I. Please see papers flagged
M (Wadhwa) and N (Fazilka).

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C. No 4027

H.M.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HONORABLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HONORABLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

Report on returned emigrants from
the Mauritius per SS. Fazilka
with remarks regarding transshipping

Mark the penal clauses
of shipping &c. arrangements. Not
to be done unless
on the subject mark them
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FOR ORDERS.

was the SS. Fazilka
duly licensed & was
properly qualified to
carry the passengers.
H.M. 1256

Submitted that the
existing arrangements
have been in force for a
long time, and that to in-
sist on direct repatriation
would be to delay indefin-
itely the return of the
emigrants. It will be time
enough to move in the
matter when the Protector's
views have been realized.

* There were none on this occasion
if they ever are.

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I am to be better if
transshipping could be
avoided. It is to be
seen how much more
expensive the direct
route is. The arrangements
are to be made
at the expense of the
Government.
Copy sent to the
Governor.

With reference to the
Protector's remarks about the
inadvisability of transshipping
the returned emigrants home
for Madras, Pondicherry & Calcutta
who embarked at the Mauritius &
the SS. Wardha were transhipped
on board the SS. Fazilka at
Colombo. The Protector thinks that
such a proceeding is not advisable
as, in the event of complaints being
made by the coolies against the
officers of the transshipping vessel
there would be great difficulty
in instituting a satisfactory
enquiry. As the Protector under
the rules framed under Act 8 of
1883 is silent on this point
vide Chapter IV "Transport Arrangements" in

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The transshipment of the returning Emigrants from Mauritius on their arrival at Colombo Harbour seems to me to be open to the strongest objections. In this case if any wrong doing had occurred on the S.S. Wardha the owners & officers wd practically escape scot-free. The rules made no reference to transshipment apparently because it was never supposed such a thing wd be done. Had it been thought of, rules wd have been provided to regulate it. I think the case should be reported to India with recommendation that practice be specifically forbidden in the rules.

MA 9.12.96

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Papers to be read in proceedings:—

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Current No.	227	of 1896, dated 1, 12, from the Protector of Emigrants
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ORDER N^o 1335 of 18-12-96

H.E. the Governor.

To
The Protector of Emigrants, (C)
(with enclosures)

Desir. Retain enclos. No. 6 containing the Protector's remarks.

The Govt. of India will be addressed in regard to the transshipment at Colombo.

MA 16.12.96

LETTER:- N^o 1336

The Secretary to the Govt. of India
Dept. of R.L. & Agr.

SIR,
I am directed to bring the following facts to your notice and to request that the orders of the Govt. of India may be obtained thereon.

The Protector of Emigrants, Madras, reports that the S.S. "Wardha" left Mauritius on the 7th ultimo with returning emigrants bound for Madras.

Madras and Calcutta, and arrived at
Colombo on the 17th idem, where, on
the 19th, the emigrants were transhipped
on board the S.S. "Fazilka" which arrived
at Madras on the morning of the 23rd.

The transshipment of emigrants
on their arrival at Colombo seems to
the Excellency in Council to be open to

~~serious~~ objections; ^{it} ~~as has~~

been pointed out by the Protector of

emigrants, in the event of ~~any~~ com

plaints being made by the coolies, on

~~the 1st~~ ^{at Madras} against the officers or

owners of the transshipping vessels, there

will be great difficulty in instituting

satisfactory inquiries, ^{at present} ~~it seems~~ ^{difficult}

probable that in such ^a ~~cases~~ ^{if any} the ~~emigrants~~ ^{defauling}

would practically escape with

impunity, while there would be no redress

for the emigrants.

The rules framed under Act

of 1883 are silent on the point,

presumably because such a contingency

was not contemplated. In the opinion of

Excellency the Governor in Council

is advisable that the practice ^{of transshipping emigrants while}

should at once be stopped and I am

therefore directed to recommend that

Rule, specifically forbidding ~~to~~ it,

be added to the Rules already in

force.

*of transshipping emigrants while
on the outward or the homeward
voyage*

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