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[Despatch Abstract.]

Requesting ^{Sanction of} the Govt of India for the
payment to the Emigration Agents for
total of certain Special fees

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Public (1898) Department.

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Order

No. 357

Dated 5th August 1898

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SUBJECT,

Requesting that Sanction of
the Governor General-in-Council
may be obtained under Section
15 of Act xxi of 1883 - for the
acceptance of certain special
fees by Mess^{rs} (Parry & Co., Emigra-
tion Agents for e Natal.

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Accountant-General's Office

20th July 1898

N^o 3701

From

J. Hesketh Biggs Esq^r

Accountant-General to the Government of
Madras.

To

The Protector of Emigrants
Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to state that the Emigration Agents for Natal, Madras, have with the Sanction of the Immigration Trust Board, Durban, Natal, been drawing, in addition to their fixed Salary of £500 per annum, an annual bonus of £250 since the year 1889 and a Commission of £2 for each Special Servant engaged by them for the Colony since August 1890.

2.

Section 15 of Act XXI of 1883 requires that the remuneration to be given to an Emigration Agent shall be in the nature of a fixed Salary provided that the Governor General-in-Council may, from time to time, authorise the payment to Specified Emigration Agents of Special fees for occasional work. I have the honor to enquire therefore whether you consider that the additional remuneration specified above may

may be received by the Emigration Agents without the sanction of the Governor General-in-Council, and, if not, to request that you will be good enough to address the Agents in view to their obtaining such sanction for future payments.

I have & Co

/Signed/ J. Hesketh Biggs
Accountant-General

(True Copy)

Office of the Protector
of Emigrants, Madras
5th August 1898

J. H. Atkinson
Protector of Emigrants
Orig.

Enclosure N^o 1 (Copy of
Accountant General's letter)
to Protector's letter N^o 357
5.8.98

Natal Emigration Office
Madras 30th July 1898

J. A. Atkinson Esq^r
Protector of Emigrants
Madras

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement N^o 337 of 26th instant on copy of letter N^o 3701 from the Accountant-General, we have the honor to remark that we were under the impression that the annual bonus received by us and also the commission on Special Servants was in order. Apparently that view has also been hitherto shared by the Accountant-General, for the debits have been openly shown in the accounts for some years and duly passed by him. However, should it no longer be so considered, we shall be glad if you will obtain the necessary sanction from the Governor General-in-Council.

We have & Co

/Signed/ Parry & Co
Emigration Agents for Natal

(True Copy)

Office of the Protector
of Emigrants, Madras
5th August 1898

J. H. Atkinson
Protector of Emigrants
Orig.

No. 357

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OFFICE OF THE PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,

Madras, 5 August 1898.

From

J. A. Atkinson Esq^r

PROTECTOR OF EMIGRANTS,

Madras,

To

The Honble Mr. G. Stokes

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT,

Fort St. George,

SIR,

I have the honor to submit for
orders the question whether an annual bonus of
£ 250 and a Commission of £ 2 for each Special
Servant can be drawn by Mess^{rs} Parry & Co, Emigration
Agents for Natal.

2. The Accountant-General, in his
letter to this Office No 3701 dated 20th July 1898, states
that Mess^{rs} Parry & Co have been drawing the bonus
since 1889 and the Commission since August 1890 and
takes exception to this practice under section 15 of
Act ~~XXI~~ of 1883, according to which special fees can
only be drawn by Emigration Agents with the
sanction of the Governor-General-in-Council. I for-
warded the Accountant-General's letter to the Agents
and

* Copy attached

Enclosure No 2 (Copy of Natal Emigⁿ
Agents letter)
to Protector's letter No 357
5-8-98

and invited their remarks thereon. In their reply dated 30th July 1898, they state that they were under the impression that acceptance of such remuneration was not illegal and that no objection had been raised by the Accountant-General who had duly passed their accounts for some years; and they request me to obtain the necessary sanction should their action be no longer considered legal. The Section quoted above is clear; and I accordingly request that the necessary sanction may be obtained. The payment has been acquiesced in; the only difficulty now raised is a technical and formal one.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

J. H. Atkinson
Protector of Emigrants

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~~HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.~~

THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.C.I.E.

~~THE HON'BLE MR. CROSS, C.M.E.~~

Public DEPARTMENT

C. No. 2475 of 1898.

SUBJECT.

Acceptance by the Natal Emigration agents of special fees.

FOR ORDERS.

The Accountant General has drawn the attention of the Protector of Emigrants to the fact that the Natal Emigration agents (Parry & Co.) have been drawing since 1889 a bonus of £. 250 per annum besides their salary of £. 500 a year. They have also received since August 1890 a commission of £. 2 for each special servant. The Acct. Genl. thinks that the bonus and commission should be authorised by the Governor General in Council as "Special fees" under section 15 Act XII of 1885.

2. The Protector of Emigrants states that Messrs. Parry & Co. were under the impression that acceptance of the remuneration referred to was not illegal, and no objection has hitherto been raised by the Acct. Genl. to the receipt of the fees in addition to the fixed salary. The Protector of Emigrants asks that the necessary sanction may be obtained. The following disposal is submitted for approval:-

Order

Order No 1068, 23rd August 1898.
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The Govt. of India will be addressed.

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To

Depd 26/8/98

The Protector of Emigrants
(a) of current
The Acct. Genl. (a) of

from Mauritius

LETTER No 1069, 23rd August 1898.

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India.
(Rev: and Agri:) Emigration.

Depd
23/8/98

Sir,

I am directed to report that it has been brought to the notice of V.E. the Governor in Council that the Emigration agents for Natal have since 1889 received a bonus of £. 250 per annum in addition to their fixed salary of £. 500 a year. They have also received since August 1890 a commission of 3. 2 for each special servant, The receipt of bonus and commission being distinct from fixed salary I am directed to ask that under section 15, Act VII of 1883 the Governor General in Council will be pleased to authorise the payment to the Emigration agents for Natal of the extra fees specified.

AK
11/8/95

engaged by them for the colony.

Note

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No records can be traced regarding

the fixing

to the agents. It has been ascertained from the Acct. Genl's Office that an annual salary of £. 250 was sanctioned by the Immigration Trust Board, Durban, Natal, in July 1883.

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