

Public (1899) Department.

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G.O., No. 149

Dated 6-2-99

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Stating, with remarks,
that Joseph Cambo, a vagrant, should
remain for the present, in the port
workhouse, and requesting the Commr of
Police, Madras, to ~~ascertain~~ ascertain from
the authorities at Fiji whether the man's
statements that he owns a small plot of land
in the islands & that he has certain relatives
who would look after him are true.

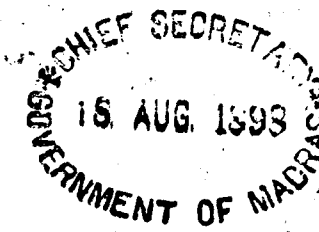
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CURRENT No. 24



The Ag. Commissioner of Police
Madras

No. 33.

Dated 16th August 1898.

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SUBJECT:

Soliciting the orders of Govern-
ment owing to the difficulty
Experienced in obtaining a
passage to the Fiji Islands
for bagrant Joseph Cambo

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Madras 9th August 1898

The Governor

H. M. Government Workhouse Madras.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of our letter of 3rd instant, the Agents of the Orient Line Colombo have sent us the enclosed handbill with the clause marked, (copy attached) regarding the booking of Emigrants suffering with any infirmity.

They say that before booking the passage they would require the following guarantees:-

- (i) That Joseph Lambrooking a cripple he is capable of taking care of himself on boardship without assistance.-
- (ii) That being a colored man all responsibility is taken for any contravention of the Immigration Restriction Act of 1897, whereby the ship is liable to a minimum penalty of £100. if a pauper or a colored man lands in Western Australia:-
- (iii) That the man has sufficient means to support himself at Sydney until the departure of the on-carrying steamer to Fiji:-
- (iv) That his passage be paid back to Madras on case he is refused by the Colonial Governments.

We are &c

(Initialed) E.S.
for Leighton and Co.

(True copy)

A.S. Agar

Ag. Commissioner of Police
N.B. Fares and regulations for third class passengers on board steamers of the Orient Line.

These.

(These fares include food, bedding table and cabin
requisites, and Stewards' fees)

"The full name, age, occupation, and destination of
the passenger should be forwarded when application is
made for a ticket."

"The Companies reserve the right of rejecting any person
who may be found when embarking to be lunatic, idiotic,
deaf, dumb, blind, maimed or having symptoms of
disease or infirmity, or any person whose condition is such
as to appear likely to involve the owners, master, or agent of
the ship in liability for his or her maintenance or support,
or otherwise, under or by virtue of any Colonial or other law
or regulation"

(True Extract)

A. D. Agar

Ag: Commissioner of Police

Recd to Pub. C
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CURRENT NO. 200
H. M.'s Government Work House,
Madras, 16th August 1898.

No. 33.

From

The President, Commissioner of Police
Managing Committee, in charge
Government Work House,
Madras.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
with the Governor
Stonehouse Hill.

Sir

E Referring to G. O. dated 13th July 1898 N^o 898
Public, I have the honor to report that I find it
difficult to obtain a passage to the Fiji Islands for
vagrant Joseph Cambro of the Government Work-
house.

2 The only direct route by which this vagrant
might be deported to the Fiji Islands, is by
the steamers of the Orient Line which call at
Colombo fortnightly.

3. Application was made to Messrs. Lighton
and Co. the Agents at Madras and they con-
-sented to provide a 3rd Class passage for the
man from Colombo to the Fiji Islands for Rs 20/-
but on communicating with their Agents Messrs.
Whitall and Co. at Colombo, the latter ob-
-jected to book the man, on the ground of his
infirmity and have asked for a guarantee,
vide letter dated 9th August 1898 from Messrs.
Lighton and Co., copy of which is attached.
* Cambro though a hopeless cripple, when
once

once on board could look after himself to a certain extent, but would require assistance. He would also require to have some refuge or asylum at Sydney to go to.

5. In the above circumstances I solicit the orders of Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir

your most obedient servant

A. P. Ngas

Ag. Commissioner of Police.

H. P. Please send from
Sydney to help
draft to help
24/3/78

No 26/5/78

The Canbros such assistance as he may require on board ship, in return for a small remuneration.

C.S.

17th Feb. 1898
Dm. No. 229.898
The Commr. of Police is requested to communicate with the authorities in Australia regarding with a view to securing the safe arrival of Joseph Canbro, and for his retention here, until he can be sent to the Fiji Islands.

2. It should also be mentioned if it is not possible for the steam ship agents at Colombo should also be asked whether they can provide for the Canbros as a special case arrange, but some of the Canbros of ten or twelve on board for a remuneration.

3. When submitting the above information to Govt. the Commr. should furnish full details regarding transit & supervision charges for Joseph Canbro from here to the Fiji Islands, including the probable cost of his stay in Colombo & Sydney.

22/8/25

Commr. of Police 29.8.98

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Public (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 221



From

Order

The Commissioner of Police,
Madras,

No. 2

Dated 18th January 1899.

Received 19

Registered 20

Jan 1899.

Enclosures One

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SUBJECT.

Joseph Gambo.

Soliciting orders of Govern-
-ment re: deportation of ----- to
the Fiji Islands.

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NEW SOUTH WALES.

98/17713

Chief Secretary's Office,
Sydney, 14th. October 1898.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No.37 of 2nd.Ultimo, addressed to the Officer in charge of Immigration, and to state that if Joseph Camboo be deported to his home in Fiji, the Inspector General of Police will give instructions for his care while in Sydney. The cost of maintenance would be merely nominal.

I have &c &c
(Signed) G--- Walker,
Principal Under Secretary.

The Commissioner of Police
in charge of Government Work-house,
Madras, India.

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Premier's Office,
Sydney, New South Wales,
17th. October 1898.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose herewith a letter, dated 14th. Instant, addressed to you by my Honorable Colleague, the Chief Secretary, intimating in reply to your communication of the 2nd.Ultimo, No.37, that if Joseph Camboo be deported to his home in Fiji, the Inspector General of Police will give instructions for his care while in Sydney.

I have &c &c
(Signed) G.H.Reid.

The Commissioner of Police
in charge of Government Work-house,
Madras, India.

Orient Line of Steamers.

Colombo, Novr. 15th., 1898.

The Commissioner of Police,

Government Work-house,

M a d r a s ,

Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter No.48 of 10th.Inst. and note that you have arranged with the Sydney authorities to take charge of the man, Joseph Camboo, in the event of his being able to proceed to Sydney. We regret that at present we are unable to book this man per an Orient Steamer, as he is a cripple and practically helpless.

We will, however, write to the London Managers of the Line and put the matter before them and on receiving their reply let you know their decision.

We have &c &c

(Signed) Whittall & Co.

x x

Agents.

Orient Line of Steamers.

Colombo, Decr.28th, 1898.

The Commissioner of Police,

Government Work-house,

M a d r a s ,

Sir,

Referring to our letter of November 15th.last, we have the honor to inform you that we have received a reply from the London Managers of the Orient Line re: Joseph Camboo. They would

would rather not carry this passenger but to oblige you we are authorised to book this passenger from Colombo to Sydney only for £ 10/- Stg, provided you pay another £ 10/- for a special steward to look after him and give a guarantee to hold the Company harmless in case of any difficulties with the authorities at Sydney. Passage to Fiji must be arranged by whoever receives Camboo at Sydney.

We should require time to write to London for a special steward to be shipped there before he proceeds.

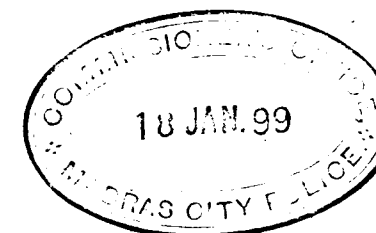
We are &c &c

(Signed) Whittall & Co.

x x

Agents.

(True copies)



Ag:Commissioner of Police.

No. 2

221.
City Police Office.

Madras, 18th January 1899

From A.P. AGAR ESQUIRE,
Ag: THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
MADRAS.

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

Sir,

No 1794 on current
No 2600/98

Referring to your Memorandum No. 2600, Public,
dated 24th. August 1898, I have the honor to inform you that
I have communicated with the Immigration authorities in Aus-
-tralia and the Steam-ship Agents at Colombo and have re-
-ceived replies, copies of which are enclosed. The Principal
Under Secretary to the Government of New South Wales at
Sydney has, through the Premier, replied for the Officer in
charge of Immigration, stating that if Joseph Camboo be de-
-ported to his home in Fiji, the Inspector General of Police
will give instructions for his care while in Sydney and that
the cost of his maintenance there would be merely nominal.
2----- Messrs. Whittall and Co., the Agents of the Orient
Line of Steamers at Colombo in their reply state that they
are unable to accept Joseph Camboo as a passenger to Fiji,
he being a cripple and a coloured man and that if it were
even possible to make the arrangement suggested by me - that
of remunerating some one to render Camboo such assistance as
he may require on boardship - as far as Sydney, they had no
authority to do so for the on-carrying steamer by which he
would probably be refused a passage and that the Immigration
Restriction

Restriction Act of New South Wales which had just been passed, would not allow him to remain in Sydney.

3---- On receipt of their reply, I sent them copies of the Premier's letter and its enclosure. They acknowledged receipt and stated that they were not prepared to book Camboo by any of the Orient Steamers, until they had put the matter before the London Managers of the Line and obtained their decision. They have since informed me that they have been authorised to book Camboo from Colombo to Sydney only for £ 10/- provided that another £ 10/- be paid for a special steward to look after him and that a guarantee be given to hold the Company harmless in case of any difficulties with the authorities at Sydney. They also require time to arrange for a special steward to be shipped at London before Camboo can start.

4---- The probable cost of Camboo's passage &c from Madras to Sydney will amount to about Rs 350/-

5---- The difficulties, which now stand in the way of Camboo's deportation, are the guarantee required by the Steam-ship Agents at Colombo, the possibility of the man being refused a passage by the Steamer Agents at Sydney and the want of some one to look after him while en route from Sydney to Fiji, regarding which I solicit the orders of Government.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

A. D. Agar
Ag: Commissioner of Police.

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23-1-99

Public DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 2600 From the *Comm. of Police*, No. 33, dated 16.9.1898.
" 221 " " " " 2 " 18.1.1899.
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For order

It will cost £ 20 to get the man to Sydney, and possibly another £ 20 or 30 to get him from there to Fiji. We have nothing but his own statement that he owns a small plot of land in the Fiji islands & that his widowed sister-in-law looks after him. It is quite possible that the Fiji

for L.P. No. 898 Public
dated 13.7.98, the deported to the Fiji Islands of a Vagrant-Fiji islander named Joseph Camboo was authorised -
In current No. 2600 of 1898, the Comm. of Police reported that the only route by which the vagrant could be deported was via Colombo, by Orient Steamer to Sydney; that the Colombo Agents of the Orient Company objected to book him on the ground of his

being a cripple & a
Colonist man, & that
the Agents asked for
a guarantee, freeing them
from all responsibility
with the authorities at
Sydney.

3. The Commr of Police
was then told in memo.

No 1794 dated 24.8.98

to Commissioner with

The Immigration authorities ascertain whether the

in Australia regarding

the reception of the vagrant

at Sydney, & to arrange

with the steam agents

at Colombo to tell of

some one to assist Colombo

on board in return for

a small remuneration.

4. With Current No 221,

the Commr of Police forward

Copies of correspondence showing

that arrangements will be

made at Sydney for Campbell

Care while he is there,

& that the Orient Line

Agents at Colombo will

look him to Sydney

authorities will refuse
to allow him to land.

I think he had better
stay where he is in the

Govt workhouse - but

to the Commr of Police

Can write to Fiji to try to

ascertain whether the

man's story is true

& whether his relations

with support officers.

MA 28.1.99.

for £10, provided that

£10 is paid for a special

steward to look after him

& that a guarantee is

given holding the Company

harmless in case of any

difficulties with the

authorities at Sydney.

The Colonial Govt.

having committed to

receive the man, the

Commr of Police might

be authorized to give

the guarantee on behalf

of Govt. the guarantee

required by the steam

Company. The question

is whether Govt is

willing to pay the

vagrant's passage which

will, as estimated by

the Commr, cost Rs

350.

6. Nothing is said in

the correspondence as

to the arrangements to

be made for the vagrant's

onward journey from

by Sydney to Fiji - Apparently
the Commr of Police has
not mentioned this point
in writing to the Colonial
authorities, but he
mentions among the
difficulties attending
the case, the possibility
of Cameron being refused
a passage by the steamer
agents at Sydney, & the
want of some one to
look after him while
en route from Sydney
to Fiji - The Colonial
authorities should ap-
parently be asked if
they will undertake
to see to these matters
before the vessel is
despatched from here.

Mr. Galt will no doubt
have to pay a
further sum for the

onward journey - If Galt gives
satisfaction to incurring the
necessary expenses, the Commr. might
be told, to make before despatching

the man, to make the
further arrangements
necessary for getting him to
his destination, reporting
again for orders if any
new difficulty should
arise.

Mr.

25/1/99.

B.I.

Chief

NOTE FOR THE ~~UNDER~~ SECRETARY.

With reference to
the Ch. Secy's present note
on the draft R.O.
please see Sec 16 of
the Act, which forms
the first paper in
the stock file below.
The Act does not
fix a ~~def~~ definite
limit to a vagrant's
stay in the Govt.
Workhouse - It
says that if after
the lapse of a reason-
able time, no
suitable em-
ployment is obtained
for a vagrant, the
Govt. may cause him
to be removed from
the house -

In the present
case, the vagrant
is a helpless cripple
& it is not possible
to find any employment

for him - the Govt. is
making arrangements
for his removal from
India, until these
arrangements are
completed, he must
apparently remain in
the workhouse.

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1,000-15-12-98.

Public DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 2600 From the Commr of Police under No. 33, dated 16.8.1898.

" 221 " " 2 " 18.1.1899.

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that it will cost £20
to leave Joseph Cambor
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the man's own statement
that he owns a small
plot of land in the
Fiji islands, & that his
widowed sister-in-law
& his mother's relatives will
look after him. It is
also possible that the
Fiji authorities will
refuse to allow him
to land. The Vagrant

Issue
on
11.2.99

should remain for the
 present in the Fort. workhouse,
 and the Comm^{rs} of Police
 will be requested to write
 to the authorities at Fiji
 to ascertain whether the
 man's story is true, &
 whether his relations will
 support him.

2. The Commissioner
 will at the same time
 make inquiries as to
 whether the man can be
 located from Sydney to
 Fiji, & on what terms.

(From orders)

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Note - Para 2 has been inserted,
 as in the event of the copy
 from Fiji being of some value,
 there will be saved by the man
 at the same time whether the
 man can be located from
 Sydney to Fiji.

C. C.
 31.1.89

Can a man be located in the
 workhouse and
 must be staying in it if he is
 here. 11/2/99

To the Comm^{rs} of Police
 (9/40)
 Despatch
 8/2/99

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ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

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LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DETTO.

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