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I have the honour, in continuation of my letter, No. 165, of 23rd May 1871, to submit, for the information of Government, the enclosed statement from Dr. Scudder as to the extent of aid given by Government to the Raneepett Dispensary since the year 1866.

Aid received from Government Departments in monies and stores for the Raneepett Dispensary, from 15th August 1866 to 31st March 1871.

Years.		RS.	A.	P.
1866.	From 15th August to 30th March 1867, for dieting patients, &c. ...	1,291	3	4
1867.	From 1st April 1867 to 30th March 1868, for dieting patients, &c...	2,065	15	0
1868.	From 1st April to 30th March 1869, for dieting patients, &c. ...	2,065	15	0
1870.	From 1st April 1869 to 30th March 1870, for dieting patients, &c...	2,065	15	0
	Received from Government in place of medicine	582	4	0
	Family Fund...	750	0	0
1870.	From 1st April to 30th March 1870, for dieting patients, &c... ...	2,065	15	0
	For erecting building for caste patients	1,100	0	0
	For well channel, cistern edges, and ditch, and sky-light	1,050	0	0
	Repairing veranda and rooms of hospital building	130	0	0
	Medicines received from medical stores, the value unknown.			
	Total...	13,167	3	4

(Signed) J. D. SCUDDER, M.D.,
In charge of Raneepett Dispensary.

RANEEPETT,
15th July 1871.

No. 149. From the Rev. EDWARD CHESTER, M.D., in charge of Dindigul Dispensary, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Dindigul, 7th August 1871.

I have the honour respectfully to request the kind consideration and answer of Government to the following questions.

2. Has Government as yet decided the question whether miscellaneous grants to private Dispensaries should be thrown on Local and Municipal Funds?

3. If it is the decision of Government that such miscellaneous grants to private Dispensaries should be thrown on Local and Municipal Funds, is it the opinion of Government that my declining the proposition noted in G. O., 21st June 1871, No. 892, Section 6, to have my Dispensary taken over as a local and municipal one, is a refusal on my part to accept aid from Local and Municipal Funds?

4. At the first meeting of the Local Fund Board of the Dindigul Circle held on August 4th, the Vice-President, who had prepared a draft of the budget for 1871-72, while providing Rupees 2,000 for establishing a Dispensary at Periacolum, had entered nothing in it for the support of the Dindigul Dispensary.

5. On asking the Vice-President the reason of this he stated that my declining the proposition noted above in G. O., No. 892, Section 4, to have my Dispensary taken over as a local and municipal one was, in his view, a declining on my part to receive any funds from the Local Fund Board.

6. On assuring him that I would be most glad to receive any help from the local funds, and quite understood that it was intended by Government that all Dispensaries should be thus assisted, the Vice-President further objected to putting anything for the Dindigul Dispensary in the Budget for 1871-72 on the ground that Government in the G. O., 21st June 1871, No. 892, Section 4, had left the matter of its support of private Dispensaries in doubt. The words referred to are "Government have called for information with a view to passing general orders on the question whether miscellaneous grants of this kind to private Dispensaries should be thrown on Local and Municipal Funds."

7. This leaves the matter unsettled, not only for the remainder of 1871-72, but will, if not decided by Government previously, prevent any action from being taken by the Local Fund Board of the Dindigul Circle at its meeting in September next for the consideration of the Budget for 1872-73."

No. 150. ORDER THEREON, 31st August 1871, No. 418.

From the letters of the Acting Inspector-General above recorded, the Government learn that the annually-recurring grants, in money and medicines, now made by Government to private Dispensaries, are as follow:—

	Monthly.	Yearly.
	RS.	
Mission Dispensaries.		
Raneepett.....	50	.....
Edeyengudi.....	The pay and allowances of a 1st Class Hospital Assistant.	Medicines, value Rupees 250.
Nazareth.....	...	Medicines, value not stated.
Dindigul.....	50	Do. do.
Royapooram..... ...	...	Do. do.
Other private Dispensaries.		
Bimlipatam.....	50	Do. do.

2. The Government have distinctly affirmed the principle that the maintenance and development of Dispensaries is a burden which they cannot assume and which must fall on local resources whether rates or voluntary contributions. The transfer of the charges above specified, from the commencement of the current year, to Local and Municipal Funds is, therefore, necessary, and the requisite provision must be made in the Local Fund Budgets. For the Dispensaries situated in Municipalities a portion of the charge, to be [illegible] by the local and municipal bodies in communication with each other, must be met from municipal funds. Where the aid consists of supplies of medicines, indents should be submitted by the heads of the institutions to the local and municipal bodies, to be dealt with by them in accordance with the Local Fund Rules. It will be understood that the Local or Municipal Boards will have no power of direct inteference with the management of the institutions, but these institutions should be open to the inspection of such official visitors as may be selected by the Local and Municipal Boards, and will come under the inspection of the Inspector-General and Deputy Inspector-Generals during their periodical official tours.

3. The medicines supplied to the Royapooram Dispensary will continue as hitherto to be paid for from provincial funds.

4. The orders issued in paragraph 2 *supra* furnish sufficient replies to the inquiries made by the Rev. Mr. Chester in his letter above recorded.

5. The principle which Government have adopted precludes them from entertaining Dr. Balfour's suggestion that the aid afforded by Government to Mission Dispensaries should be increased, and though they fully recognise the utility of these institutions, they are constrained to leave such increase to the discretion of the Local and Municipal Boards.

(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Acting Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.
,, Board of Revenue.
,, Collector of
,, Presidents of the several Municipalities.
,, Acting Accountant-General.
,, Rev. E. Chester, M.D.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 165

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,
Fort Saint George, 23rd May 1871.

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Fort Saint George,

To The Chief Secretary to Government
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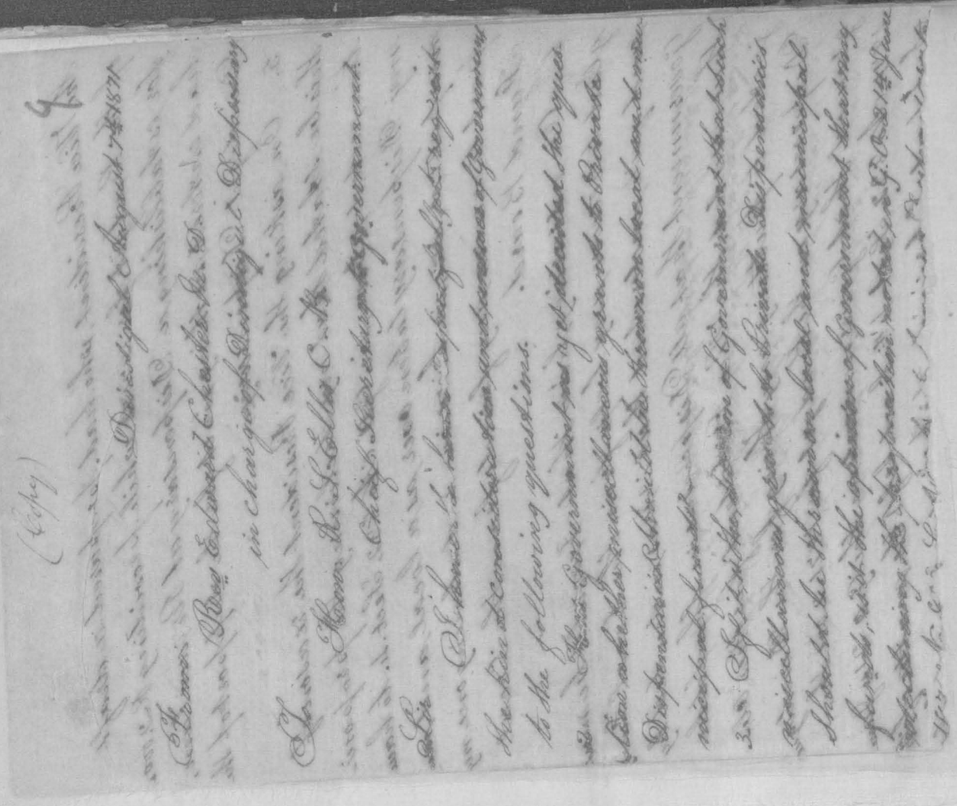
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Your most Obedient Servant
Edwar Balfour D^r in Gen^l
acting Inspector General
Indian Medical Department

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From

Inspector General,
Indian Medical Department,
Fort Saint George,

To

Dated 23 & 25 May 1871.

No. 1019

Recommends the increase of Medical Inspn. Dispensaries & grants-in-aid being given to them.

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municipal funds."

7. This leaves the matter practically for the remainder of 1871-2 but will, if not decided by Government previously, prevent any action from being taken by the Local Fund Board of the Dindigul circle at its meeting in September next for the consideration of the Budget for 1872-3.

I am

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(signed) Edward Chester

in Charge of the Dindigul Dispensary

Dindigul. August 7th 1871

My Lord

Pardon me for troubling you again in regard to my Dispensary, but, as I feared would be the case, there is a little feeling on the part of the Ag. Sub Collector of Madura in the matter of my desiring to keep on as a Private Dispensary, rather than let my Dispensary pass over to the Dindigul Municipality.

It seemed very important to have me print, as to the intention of Government in regard to Private Dispensaries, made a little more certain, and I have ventured to address a letter directly to Government, a copy of which I enclose. I also enclose the copy of an official letter I wrote to the Ag. Sub Collector of Madura, in answer to one from him in relation to my passing over my Dispensary to the Dindigul Municipality.

There are many points to which I could not allude in that official letter but about which I spoke in Madras, when you so kindly granted me an interview.

That I am not directly employed by

Government and give my services gratuitously makes not difference in the amount of work we attempt to perform in the Dispensary. No one is turned away from our Dispensary without help.

And yet as I am supported by our Mission Board, I must, in justice to it, attend to my other Mission work and have my facilities for attending to the Dispensary work as great as possible.

Mr Bliss' proposition was to have the Dispensary moved entirely from the Mission bungalow. Another proposition of his was to have it near the proposed Rail Road Station a mile or more from my Bungalow.

It seemed as though impossible for me to labor at that distance from my bungalow. And I am sure that the fact of the Dispensary being in my house and on the premises is an inducement to many of the native people, especially the village women, to come for treatment. For years I have given this much of my Bungalow and Compound for the use of the Dispensary and gladly will continue to do so. I ask for no reward for all this, but only that I may be permitted to carry on my work as much as possible

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in the way most convenient to me.

For the help I have thus far received from Government, I have and always will feel most grateful.

And to you, my Lord, I owe more than I can express for your invariable kindness in forwarding my medical work.

I have the honor to be
My Lord
Your obedient Servant
Edward Chester

(Copy)

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Dispensary July 31st 1854

Rev Edward Chester M.D.

Secretary of Scientific Dispensary

H. M. Bliss Esq M.D.

Secretary Sub Committee of Medical

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your official letter of the 19th inst. with the copy of Government order dated 14th June, removing Public Dispensaries

2nd Act Being copy of Minute dated 29th June, and have had the matter much on my mind ever since. I am more prepared to give a distinct reply stating my opinion on the scheme than at the date of your letter, for reasons of the Cattle Disease

Dublin [illegible]

I am in receipt of your letter with the order of Government thereon, stating that I am at liberty to communicate with you on the subject, as formerly, except in the matter of publication of the correspondence

of my Mission work, the number of pa-
tients, both from Dindigul, and the neigh-
boring villages, has steadily increased. And
while I would be compelled to sacrifice this
to me most important feature of the work,
if my Dispensary should be taken over as
a local, and municipal one, I do not be-
lieve that there would be any positive in-
crease in the number of patients or any increa
se in the character of the work performed.

8. For these and other reasons which may more
appropriately be noticed privately, I would
prefer to have my Dispensary remain, as it
has been since March 1869, a Private Dis-
pensary, receiving Grants in aid from Gover
nment and subject to its orders.

9. I beg leave to acknowledge your kindness in
forwarding to Government a
statement so favorable to my Dispensary, and
for taking so warm an interest in its welfare.

10. In answer to the second question in
your letter, I will be most willing to serve
on the Commission, so far as my advice
in sanitary and medical matters will
be of any value.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(signed) Edward Chester
in charge of Dindigul Dispensary

Chesters Dispensary

Mr Ranicliffe

Please put me up this paper attached to me. This and a copy of Rules. [Joint Trust]

Bill Received from Government Departments in Stores & Stores for the Ranicliffe Dispensary from 15 August 1866 to 31 March 1871 — 21

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	For Erecting Building for Cook Patients	100	"	"			
	For Well Channel Cisterns Fedges & Gates &c Kitchen	650	"	"			
	Repairing Verandah & Rooms of Hospital Building	150	"	"			
	Medicines Received from Medical Store the Value unknown						
	Total Brought Forward	"	"	"	"	"	"	1387	3	4

Ranicliffe
15 July 1871

A Loudon, M.D.
In charge of Ranicliffe Dispensary

Dindigul August 7th. 1871

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From

Rev. Edward Chester M. D.

in charge of Dindigul Dispensary.

To

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My Dear Sudlerian:

You office allow a ques-
tion as to Bindupatam
Dispensary.

What I wrote by and
was the Medical Dispen-
Dispensaries; but, on receip
of your question as to Bindu
patam, I have rewritten
my letter 165, entered as private
Dispensaries and if you

will now kindly substitute this for that of the same number & date, it will be all right.

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No. 165

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 23rd May 1871.

From

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Acting Inspector General.
Indian Medical Department

No. 222

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 5th July 1871.

From

The acting Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

To

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I have the honor to submit to Government, on the margin,* as asked for in Memo. No 152 of 5th June, a Statement shewing the annually recurring grants to the Private Dispensaries in the Madras districts, the Subject of which was contained in my letter No 165 of 23rd May 1871, and I beg to place, in the last column, the orders in which the grants are authorised or in which they are noticed. The Rev Dr Caldwell

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Dated 29th May 1871

From

Inspector General,
Indian Medical Department,
Fort Saint George,

To

S. O. No 1018

Rec'd 1871. Dispatched

No. 1019

Recommended the contents of this letter to the favorable consideration of Government and beg to state that the Private Dispensaries in the Tinnevelly District are in receipt of Rs 50 monthly each from the Local Funds.

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Your most Obdt Servant

Edwd Balfour M.D. Surgn
Acting Inspector General
Indian Medl Department.

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No. 245

Office of Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George, 27th July 1871.

From

The Officiating Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government

Public Department

Sir,

I have the honor in continuation of my letter No. 165 of 23rd May 1871, to submit for the information of Government, the enclosed Statement from Dr. Scudder, as to the extent of aid given by Government to the Ranneefett Dispensary since the year 1866.

I have the honorable

Sir

Your most obedient servant

Edward Balfour Mins

Acting Inspector General

Indian Medical Department

Fort Saint George,

To

S. O. No. 418

Dated 5th July 1871

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Forwarded to the Secretary to Government Revenue Department for information.

By Command of His Excellency

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Financial Department.

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Proceedings of the Madras Govt dd
Read the following letter from the Inspector General
Indian Medical Department No. 165, 222, & 245
dated 23rd May, 5th & 17th July 1871.
From the Rev. Mr. Chester, Dindigul, dated 7th Augt 1871.

Order thereon, dated 31st Augt 1871. No 418. dd

From the letter of the Inspector General above recorded, the Govt learn that the annually recurring grant, in money & medicines, now made by Govt to private dispensaries are as follows: —

	Monthly.	Yearly
Medical Mission Dispensaries.		
Ramipett —	Rs 50. —	"
Edeyangudi —	The pay & allowances of a 1st class hospital assistant. —	Medicines Value, Rs 250
Nazareth —	" —	Medicines Value not stated.
Dindigul —	Rs 50 —	do do
Royapooram —	" —	do do
Other private dispensaries		
Bimlipatam —	Rs 50 —	"

2. The Govt have distinctly affirmed the principle that the maintenance and develop-

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From the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, Fort Saint George,

To The Chief Secretary to Govt

Dated 23rd May 1871.

No. 165.

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of Government the accompanying letter from the Rev. Mr. Chester, Dindigul, dated 7th August 1871, requesting that the annual grant of Rupees 250 in medicines, now made to the Medical Mission Dispensary at Dindigul, may be continued.

2. The Rev. Mr. Chester has been in charge of the Dispensary for many years, and has rendered valuable assistance to the Medical Department in the distribution of medicines in the Dindigul district. I would therefore recommend that the grant be continued.

I have &c.

(Signed) J. Murray
Inspector General.

Indorsement as to the extent of the grant to be made by Govt to the Dispensary since 1866.

of dispensaries is a burden which they cannot assume & which must fall on local resources whether rates or voluntary contributions. The transfer of the charges above specified, from the commencement of the current year, to local municipal funds is therefore necessary & the requisite provision must be made in the local funds budgets. For the dispensaries situated in municipalities a portion of the charge, to be fixed by the local municipal bodies in communication with each other, must be met from municipal funds. Where the aid consists of supplies of medicines, the indents should be submitted by the heads of the institutions to the local municipal bodies, to be dealt with by them in accordance with the local funds rules. It will of course be understood that the local or municipal boards will have no power of direct interference with the management of the institutions.

3. The medicines supplied to the Royapooram dispensary will continue as hitherto to be paid for from provincial funds.

4. The orders as covered in para 2 supra furnish sufficient reply to the enquiries made by the Rev. Mr. Chester in his letter above recorded.

5. The principle which Govt have adopted precludes them from undertaking

I do not think this pres for every L. If the feeble boys surely he cannot communicate this principle.

"but these institutions should be open to the inspection of such official visitors as may be selected by the Local and Municipal Boards"

I would suggest this being added. I believe the inspection will be very a great thing with privately lead to help being given to the Dispensaries

Yes N

and will come under the inspection of the Inspector General and Deputy Inspector Generals during their annual territorial official tours.

Private Dispensaries

Dr Balfour's suggestion that the aid afforded by Govt to missionary dispensaries should be increased, & though they fully recognise the utility of these institutions they are constrained to leave such increase to the discretion of the local & municipal boards. Private dispensaries are now so few, & the Govt believe, so well managed, considering their resources, that it is unnecessary to attempt to bring them under inspection & control, as a condition of aid. H. E. in C. does not doubt that the gentlemen in charge of them will not object to furnish for the information of the Inspector General, particulars of their operations for incorporation in his annual report.

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I think that all aided Dispensaries should be open to the inspection of the D. I. G. & the Inspector Genl of Govt as a condition of aid granted & that there should be local visitors for all

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Returns asked for

Inspection

Memorandum.

It is necessary to decide whether the grants of money and medicines hitherto made by Govt to private dispensaries should continue to be provided from provincial funds, or should be transferred as charges upon local & municipal funds.

2. The accompanying memorandum of Dr Balfour lastly herewith circulated furnish information as to these grants. So far as annually recurring they are tabulated in the margin.

3. The Ranipett dispensary receives besides the grant shown Rs 2316 per annum from Carnatic funds & by S.O. 18th July No 1082 it is decided that this shall be continued notwithstanding the transfer of the endowment to local funds,

I do not think we should get beyond the first 5 of these Dispensaries on Local Funds. They are Educational institutions.

The first — Ranipet. is supported from the surplus funds of the Tanjore Mission. I think the best & next to abolish private dealing in it this would be to place Tanjore Mission all under a Com.

Medical Missions.	Money grants. Per Memorandum.	Annual supplies of medicines.
	Rs.	Rs.
Ranipett. M.	50*	"
Edayangudi.	"	250.
Dindigul	50.	250*
Nazareth.	"	250*
Black towns	"	300*
Private Dispensary		
Bimlipatam	50.	"
	150	1050
Per annum.	1800	
	1050	
	2850.	

* In lieu of the supply of medicines.

* Estimates the grant amount with which should be started by Dr Balfour

further aid to the extent of Rs 64 per mensem - to be provided if possible from the Lawsonkhānā endowment - is contemplated. (G.O. 14th July 1871 N° 829). The existing grant of Rs 50 was intended to be temporary until the medical stores could supply the medicines. I submit that the Inspector General should be called on to report whether the stores can now in a condition to do so; and that if they can the money allowance should be discontinued, and that the cost of supplying the medicines should be charged to the local fund board through which Dr Scudder's indents should be submitted.

4. Besides the medicines supplied gratis, the Edeyangoodi dispensary has a first class hospital assistant whose pay and allowances from Rs 40 to Rs 60 according to service with an employed allowance of Rs 20 per mensem, and are charged to Govt. The charge

mittee - pt. entering the whole amount or substituting medicines for it. Or the L. F. Bd of the circle might give this, in consideration of the benefits of the people - Dr Scudder would be on the Committee - for it President or Vice President.

The stores are all Medical Institutions and I think should continue to receive their present subsist from pt. - it being left to the L. F. Bd to extend the schedules by giving money, and thereby.

a medical institution. I may be thrown on Local Funds -

L. D.

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for the hospital assistant to medicines, as well as the cost of medicines for the Nazareth dispensary should be borne by the local funds the indents for the medicines submitted by Dr Caldwell & Strachan to the local fund boards

5. The money grant to the Triplicane Dispensary should also be changed to local funds

6. The medicines to the Black town dispensary must remain a provincial charge

7. The Madras Municipality is not likely to accept it without remonstrance.

7. Brown proposed to make over the Pudupet dispensary as a local municipal institution, subject to the consent of the Rev. Mr. Chester (G.O. 21 July 1871 N° 892). That gentleman however refuses to make over the dispensary requests a decision whether,

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as assumed by the local authorities, this refusal amounts to rejection of local municipal aid. I submit that the grants now made by Govt should be continued from local & municipal funds in such proportion as the boards may settle between themselves.

5. Govt have distinctly affirmed that the provision of and extension of dispensaries is a burden which they cannot assume, & which must fall on local resources, whether rates or contributions; & the transfer of the charges above specified is required by this principle. Dr Balfour's vague suggestion that the aid now given to mission dispensaries should be increased by Govt must, it is submitted, be rejected in accordance with the principle, and such increase must be left to the decision of the local bodies. There are only five mission institutions (medical) & the question of their inspection and control may, I submit, be deferred for the present.

H.L.

Memo for Orders

Bridget Shields Grazing aid Hospitals

I would make the same grants in aid as now both local & municipal funds. Both to be spoken to & the local & municipal boards to arrange the grants.

I would recommend the Collectors to use their influence in rendering the grants as ample as hitherto.

N.B.

Public Department

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Memo: for Orders.

Letter from the Ag Inspr General, Indian Medical Department. } Dated 23d May 1871 No 165.

In this letter the Ag. Inspector General Indian Medical Department gives a list of the Medical Mission Dispensaries which receive aid from Government in the way of medicines, Hospital Assistants and money and he submits for the favorable consideration of Government the expediency of increasing the number of such Institutions. "Government may perhaps" he writes, "be inclined to regard the Medical

Locality	Under what Mission & Medical Missionary	Colonel & character of Government Grant	Grant of 50 Rupees	Medicines &c.	Assistant	Grant of 50 Rupees	Medicines &c.	Medicines &c.
Chirpal	Rev. de Sadder, American Mission							
Edeyengoodi	Revd. H. Abell, Church Mission Society							
Dindigul	Revd. H. Chester, Commissioner							
Nazareth	Mission Station							
Sivagunga	Revd. N. Sathianadhan, Native Pastor in charge							
Madura	Revd. R. Caldwell, Head Missionary of S.P.G. Mission							

Mission Dispensaries as institutions, which to a greater degree than is now being done by the existing Civil Dispensaries, are capable of taking out of the hands of Government the medical care of the people, and that they might therefore be more aided by the State than they have hitherto been." He suggests also that these institutions might be inspected and reported on annually by the Deputy Inspector Generals of Hospitals, and aid granted in proportion to the extent of good which they may be doing.

2. The Dispensary at Arcot in the District of North Arcot, was established in 1866 under Dr. Scudder's management; the Government at the same time closing their own dispensary at Ranipett.

3. Dr. Scudder was entrusted with the expenditure of a moiety of the annual amount (Rs. 2316) devoted to the Ranipett Dispensary, on purposes connected with the Arcot institution, which under the Sanction accorded in the Military Department on the 15th March 1867 No 937, was located in the European Hospital at the Station, on the understanding that it shall be vacated whenever required for Military purposes.

4. On the 1st March 1867, Sanction was

Arcot Dispensary.

⊗ Langerthans funds.

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given as a temporary measure, and until a Dispensary was opened at Gudiattam, for the grant to Dr Scudder of the remaining moiety of the annual allowance. × Rs 2316—

5. In Order dated the 17th July 1869 No 999, the Inspector General Indian Medical Dept was instructed to furnish gratuitously such supplies of medicines as might seem to him reasonable, with reference to the scope of Dr Scudder's work, and the quantities issued to similar Government institutions. The opening of a special ward, and a ward for native patients of high caste were also approved.

6. The medicines authorized in 1869 not having been supplied, the Government in their Order dated the 28th April 1870 No 523, sanctioned a grant of fifty rupees per mensem from July 1869 up to the date when the Inspector General Indian Medical Dept. shall be able to supply the medicines. 4)

Suviseshapuram & Edeyenpondy Dispensaries.

7. The Reverend Mr Schaffter proposed in September 1869 to open a Hospital & Dispensary at Suviseshapuram in a building belonging to the Church Mission Society, with the view of providing for the wants of the sick at that place and in the surrounding villages

at Timmevelly, and solicited pecuniary aid to meet the expenses of tiling the roof of the building, and to provide medical stores. The Collector reported that Rs 300 would suffice for the roofing and Rs 250 for Medicines, & the Government in Order dated the 8th November 1867 No 1406, sanctioned the grants accordingly.

8. In Order dated the 12th February 1868 the annual issue of Medicines and instruments gratuitously at a cost not exceeding Rs 250, was authorized.

9. In May 1869

Dr R. Caldwell brought to the notice of Government that Mr Schaffter was on the point of leaving Sewisaskapuram for England, that it was improbable he would be succeeded by a European Missionary and that as the Dispensary there was likely to be left without superintendence he requested authority for its transfer to Edeyengoody, a place within five miles of Sewisaskapuram. The Government saw no objection to the transfer and under date the 20th August 1869 sanctioned the appointment of a Hospital Assistant and the usual grant of medicines &c.

Order of 20th July 1869 No 1018.

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10. The Dindigul Dispensary.

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In October 1869, the Inspector General Indian Medical Dept reported that he had received a communication from Mr Chester, a Member of the American Madura Mission, in which he solicited some help from the State towards the support of a Dispensary established by him at Dindigul. Lord Napier had then recently visited the Dispensary and had informed the Inspector General that Mr Chesters character and practice seemed to be particularly acceptable to the people of the Country. To enable Mr Chester to carry

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on the good work which he had so successfully begun, the Inspector General solicited that Government might be pleased to sanction the issue to him of medicines & instruments gratuitously. The requisite sanction was granted in G.O. dated 5th November 1869 No 1380.

11. The usefulness of the Institution having subsequently been fairly established, the Govt. in G.O of the 3d March 1869 No 262, sanctioned a monthly grant of Rs 50.

12. The Nazareth Dispensary.

The Revd. J.H. Strachan, a Missionary

applied in April 1870
for aid for a Dispen-
-sary which he had
established at Nazareth
in the District of
Tinnevelly. The dispen
-sary was opened
in March, but such
had been the appreci-
-ation of its benefits,
and the confidence
in the Medical attendant,
that the daily attendance
of sick had increased
from 40 to 180. Under
these circumstances
the Insp^r General,
Indian Med^l Dep^t,
solicited the issue of
Medicines & instru-
-ments gratuitously.
The Govt authorized
their issue in G O
of the 2^d June 1870 No 699,
and

and remarked.
"Funds for the aid
of this Dispensary
may hereafter be
available from Local
Funds should the
Bills for local taxation
now under considera-
-tion, be passed."
"The consideration of
the application for a
Dispensary & Hospital
at Alwar in Tinnevelly
must, for the present,
be postponed."

13. The Black Town
Dispensary.

The grant of Medicines
&c. at cost price
to the Dispensary
established by the
Edinburgh Medical
Missionary Society
in Tondiarpet was
authorized in January
1857. Subsequently
the gratuitous issue
of

medicines &c was sanctioned. The institution was for a long time under the management of the late Dr Patterson.

14. Adverting to Dr Balfour's remark that these institutions might be more aided by the State than they have hitherto been, and his suggestion that aid might be granted in proportion to the extent of good which they may be doing, it must be observed that by the introduction of the Town's Improvement & Local Funds Acts the management of all hospitals and dispensaries has been

G. O. dated 18th Dec. 1867. No 1601.

entrusted to Municipal and Local Fund Boards, and that they will have to be consulted hereafter in the appropriation of funds raised locally.

15 It is submitted that Dr Balfour might be informed that he should place himself in communication with the President of the Municipal or Local Fund Boards within whose limits or Circle a Mission Dispensary is established, and obtain for it such aid as, from the extent of its usefulness, may be reasonably given.

16. The charges for

Civil Dispensaries
are now Provincial
and it is not desira-
ble that the Government
should undertake
fresh obligations con-
nected with Medical
institutions established
by Religious Societies.

The fact of the Religious
Societies connection
leaves the Board
to claims of the
institutions Raised
by the Religious
Societies Have
no strength in the
argument of the Superintendent
in the Province - or
at least as much as
any other institutions