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From

S. D. Scudder. M.D.
In late Charge of Ranipett Dispensary &c.

To

The Right Honorable The Governor of Madras.

Dear Sir,

Allow me to call your Kind attention to the following circumstances in connection with the Ranipett Dispensary:-

Last [illegible] year, the Mission, under the pressure of a serious financial difficulty, had no alternative but to curtail its work to a large amount. Among various retrenchments, it was decided to, "Abandon our Medical Work; - close the Dispensary and Hospital, - inform the Government that we are, no longer, able to sustain them, and request that they take charge of everything belonging to them."

At my earnest solicitation, the Mission reconsidered this action so far as to allow the Medical Work to go on, until I could confer with the Government on the subject and solicit their intervention and aid. Illness prevented me from seeing Your Excellency, until a few days since. In accordance with your Kind permission, I have the honor to lay before you the following brief statement:-

The Mission has carried on this Medical Establishment since August 15th 1866. The Dispensary and Hospital, together, have cost, upon an average, Rs. 500. per mensem. We have received from Government Rs. 172.2.7. per mensem, a portion of the interest from the Sangakkannah Fund; - and, for the last three years, a supply of Medicines from the Government Medical Stores, worth about Rs. 50. per mensem. The balance needed to meet the expenses of the Establishment, the Mission has, always, gladly supplied. This, it is, no longer, able to do! We cannot meet the necessities of this large and populous district with the small amount we receive from the Government. We cannot but feel that it [illegible] to give up this work! What, then, can be done? We are compelled to ask the Government to intervene to obtain us the needed aid; and thus, to save the work! We would not ask for the whole amount expended in former years, but only for a sum sufficient to meet the most pressing wants of the people dependent upon the Institution. Having carefully considered the question, we think, that this may be accomplished with a sum of Rs. 300. per mensem, together with the supply of Medicines, heretofore received. We are drawing Rs. 172.2.7. each month from the Sangkkannah Fund. If this were supplemented, so that we should receive Rs. 300. per mensem, as well as allowed to Indent for the same supply of Medicines as

in former years, we feel confident, that the chief and pressing wants of the District can be met. The Mission is willing that the Rev. John Scudder, M.D. should superintend the work, as I am obliged, through illness, to return immediately Home. We would earnestly entreat Your Excellency, therefore, to do all in your power, to save this noble work!

I have the honour to be
Dear Sir
Your most obedient servant
John Scudder M.D.
In late charge of Manepay Dispensary.

Dr Scudder M.D.
Jaffna

Financial 1872 No 10

From H. M. Ramsay Esq
Secy to Govt
To H. G. Lushington Esq
Secy to Govt

No 1070

Madras 28th March 1872

Sir

Calling attention to
certain proceedings
in connection with the
European Dispensary

8th April 1872 No 1371

The Govt observe that besides the sum specified by Dr Sanderson's received from the Langatkhana Endowment, provision is made in the Local Fund Budget of the Chittoor circle for supplies of medicines to the extent of Rs 600, and for the cost of the Lying in hospital, Rs 64 per measem, or in round number Rs 770. It is presumed that the deficit of Rs 128 per measem to which Dr Sanderson refers accrues in the ordinary expenses of the general dispensary and is independent of the charges of the new Lying in hospital.

2. The Govt recognize the great value of the work done by the mission dispensary, and trust that the want of funds for its continuance may be temporary only. It has been decided that aid to such dispensaries should be given from Local funds, but to enable the Mission to tide over the current year, the Govt sanction as a special case, to be drawn as a lump grant for 1872-3 of Rs 1500, which will be debited to the Provincial assigns for hospitals & dispensaries. Should the services of the mission be still required after 1873-4, Dr Sanderson should be informed that the Local fund board of the Chittoor circle must provide for them.

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To the Board of Revenue.

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Sanctioning as a special case a lump grant for 1872-73 of Rs. 1500 in aid of the Ramapatti Dispensary to be debited to the Provl. appropriation for hospitals and dispensaries.