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No. 75. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th July 1873, No. 1392:—

Read the following letter from J. B. PENNINGTON, Esq., President of the Local Fund Board, Trichinopoly, to J. GROSE, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 9th June 1873, No. 29:—

With reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 1662, dated 19th March 1873, I have the honour to submit the following précis of correspondence regarding Vaccination and the final resolution of the Local Fund Board, from which the Board will observe that the present system, as pursued in this district, has been practically condemned even by the Superintendent-General himself, for it is quite impossible that Mr. Good could have been so remiss if his returns had been submitted to the Local Fund Board, so that the department should be placed directly under the orders of the Local Fund Board, who pay for them, just as the Vaccinators in the Municipalities are placed under the Municipal Commissioners the Superintendent-General being made Inspector-General of the professional part of the operations (with no executive functions), just as the Conservator of Forests has been made Inspector of Forests and Adviser-General to the Collector-Conservators.

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In October 1872, the President of the Trichinopoly Local Fund Board applied for sanction to supersede the existing system of vaccination in his district by a results grant system. It was proposed to place the Vaccinators directly under the Local Fund Board and the Divisional Officers and Tahsildars of the district; to make the Village Munsif report the number of operations performed and the number of successful cases; and to pay a reasonable amount for each successful case. The Superintendent-General had informed the Local Fund Board that the proposed system would not work without much closer and better supervision than they could provide; but they argued that the existing system had failed and that there was every probability that the proposed system would succeed.

Board's Proceedings, dated 5th December 1872, Miscellaneous No. 8037.

2. The Board received the application favourably, but asked what was to be the number of Vaccinators employed and how much was to be paid for each successful case, and suggested that a plain rule should be framed under which Village Munsifs might determine what were successful cases.

3. In the meantime the Local Fund Board had discovered that one Vaccinator in Coimbatore did as much work as all the Vaccinators in Trichinopoly, and this confirmed them in their belief that the system was not working satisfactorily. They answered the Revenue Board's questions by stating that the number of Vaccinators was to be the same as before; that they proposed to pay 2 Annas

Board's Proceedings, dated 19th February 1873, Miscellaneous No. 1039.

to the parents of each child brought to be vaccinated and 2 Annas for each successful case (supplemented by a small fixed salary) to the Vaccinator; that the Munsifs would only have to report the *number* of operations; and that the point whether any case was a successful case or not would be determined "on exactly the same evidence as at present."

4. The Board inquired what that evidence was.

5. It was reported that the District Superintendent of Vaccine professed to examine as many cases as the Vaccinators could produce before him, but that frequently the effect of operations could not be ascertained (even by the Vaccinators, apparently) because parents carried away their children.

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6. It now appears that the Local Fund Board on this asked the District Superintendent of Vaccination if he would send in monthly diaries of his inspection. He replied that he could not do so without the consent of the Superintendent-General.

7. On being applied to, the Superintendent-General sent some of the District Superintendent's diaries to the President, and they revealed the facts that the District Superintendent seldom left Trichinopoly for more than a day at a time; that he remained there six days out of seven; and that, contrary to Standing Orders, he had not left Trichinopoly at all from the 1st to the 9th December. It was further discovered that the District Superintendent never vaccinated himself though he ought to have done so.

8. The Superintendent-General has intimated that the District Superintendent has been greatly remiss in attending to his duties of inspection, and has offered to fine him or remove him to another district as the President may wish.

9. The Local Fund Board are confirmed by all this in their views as to the inefficiency of the existing system, and renew their application for the introduction of a system under which the Vaccinators will be placed under the Tahsildars and paid chiefly by results grants, the Superintendent-General being only an inspecting authority. They suggest that one of the numerous medical officers stationed at Trichinopoly should be directed to assist in supervision, and especially in testing results.

10. The papers leave no room for doubt. Under present circumstances much of the money spent on vaccination is wasted. The Vaccinators are not inspected, and there are no means of telling whether their operations are successful or not. (In September 1872 it was reported that 810 operations had been performed and that 802 of them were successful). There can be no doubt that the proposals of the Local Fund Board will make the present instruments more useful and the present means of supervision more effective, and the Board resolve to recommend Government to let them be tried.

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11. The Sanitary Commissioner will be asked if it is possible to lay down rules, which may enable men not specially instructed, to determine with rough accuracy on an average of cases, whether vaccination has been successful or not.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
13th August 1873.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 76. ORDER THEREON, 13th August 1873, No. 1141.

The Government authorize the Trichinopoly Local Fund Board to try the desired experiment, reporting the result in due course.

2. The Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, will be requested to state whether any of the medical officers in the district can aid in testing its results.

(True Extract.)

Offg. Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with two enclosures returned.
,, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
,, Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of India
FINANCIAL.
To
The BOARD of REVENUE,
&c. &c.
Dated August, 13th
Read
Answd.
G. O., 13th August 1873, No. 1141.
AUGUST.
Nos. 75-76.

Trichinopoly Local Fund Circle.—The experiment of placing vaccinators under Tahsildars, and paying them chiefly by results' grants, ordered to be tried in this circle, and the result reported in due course.

No. 1,392.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 25th July 1873.

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J Grote

Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
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,, the Superintendent-General of Vaccination.
,, the Sanitary Commissioner of Madras.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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Board of Revenue,

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PROCEEDINGS, 25TH JULY 1873, No. 1,392.

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No. 1,392.

Vaccination—in Trichinopoly District.—Proposal of Trichinopoly Local Fund Board that present system of — should be superseded by a system under which Vaccinators will be placed under Tahsildars and paid chiefly by results grants, Superintendent-General being only an inspecting authority, recommended to Government for trial of system proposed.

With letter

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To The Bd of Rev.

Dated 13 Augt

Recd. Encl.

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