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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 13th January 1873.

Read the following letter from J. B. PENNINGTON, Esq., President, Local Fund Board, Trichinopoly to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Trichinopoly, 28th November 1872, No. 151 :—

ADVERTING to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 6,962, dated the 17th ultimo, I have the honour to submit the accompanying copy of correspondence between this Local Fund Board and the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Trichinopoly, regarding the reduction proposed to be made in the Local Fund grant to the Dispensary at Trichinopoly.

2. In the first instance, the Commissioners objected to the measure stating that they "protest against the principle that every new dispensary is to be supported by a reduction in the allotment to the Civil Dispensary," and calling on the Local Fund Board "to fix a fair proportion of the expenditure as their contribution for ever."

3. In proposing the reduction this Board was entirely guided by the exigencies of Medical Service in the other parts of the district, and did not, for a moment, intend to lay down any principle of the description adverted to by the Commissioners; they were therefore informed, in reply, that this Board cannot bind its successors to make any fixed contribution for ever, and that a reasonable allotment will be made each year.

4. In their last communication the Commissioners have requested this Board to lay the whole correspondence before the Board of Revenue with an expression of their opinion "that the contribution proposed for next year is a fair one on the understanding that the pay of Native Surgeon Bálu Mudeliyar is no longer debited to the dispensary, and that a similar contribution is contributed every year, bearing some proportion to the expenditure to be incurred."

5. The dispensary at Trichinopoly has a vested capital of Rupees 33,000 and a monthly income from the subscriptions of the European residents of the station, and further the flourishing Municipality to which it has been lately transferred is fully capable of maintaining the institution quite independently of any external aid. The Municipality of Srirungum has, on the contrary, a very limited income, and can hardly maintain the proposed dispensary which, besides attending to the requirements of the population of the town, has to administer to the health of a large concourse of pilgrims visiting the famous Hindoo shrine of Srirungum from all parts of India, and is much more of a *district* institution than that at Trichinopoly.

6. Looking to the apparent disparity of these two Municipalities, the Local Fund Board resolved to contribute, for the present, chiefly towards that institution which stands in the greatest need of such aid.

7. The Government having in their Order No. 1,446, dated 23rd ultimo, (copy of which is herein enclosed) sanctioned the establishment of the proposed dispensary and hospital in Srirungum, I have the honour, with reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 2,206, dated the 14th instant, to request that the allotment therein referred to may be made at as early a date as possible.

Enclosures Nos. 1 and 2.—Extract from Proceedings of Municipal Commissioners for Town of Trichinopoly.

Enclosure No. 3.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

Enclosure No. 4.—Copy of G. O., 23rd October 1872, No. 1,446, Financial Department.

The establishment of a dispensary at Srirungum is sanctioned in G. O., 23rd October 1872, No. 1,446.

2. The Local Fund Board propose to contribute Rupees 1,500 towards its expenses, and to obtain this sum by reducing their contribution to the Trichinopoly Dispensary from Rupees 2,360 to Rupees 860.

3. The Trichinopoly Commissioners seem to object to this reduction being made except on certain conditions, and it is necessary therefore that it should be formally sanctioned by Government. There seems to the Board to be no room for doubting its propriety.

4. Subject to this sanction the allotment of Rupees 375 applied for in the letter recorded in Board's Proceedings, 14th November 1872, No. 2,206, is sanctioned from the General Fund Balances.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

for Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department, with three enclosures.
" the President of the Local Fund Board Trichinopoly.
" the Accountant-General.

Rd. F. R. Bantleman.

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Accountant General

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No. 37.

Dispensary, Medical, at Trichinopoly.—Formal sanction of Government requested for reduction of annual Local Fund contribution to—from Rupees 2,360 to 860 so as to enable Local Board to make a grant of Rupees 1,500 to Srirungum Dispensary. Allotment of Rupees 375 on account of grant for latter dispensary for January, February, and March 1873, sanctioned, subject to Government sanction now applied for.

With an Order

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The Board of Revenue.

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Sanctioning the proposed reduction in the L.F. Grant to the Dispensary at Trichinopoly.