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Read the following papers:—

No. 61. From Deputy Surgeon-General J. L. RANKING, Acting Surgeon-General of Hospitals, Indian Medical Department, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort St. George, 31st July 1873, No. 284.

I have the honour to submit, for the consideration of Government, a memorial from 1st Class Hospital Assistant Kistnama Razu, No. 341, attached to the Collector's establishment, Trichinopoly, together with the correspondence noted below, on the subject of his removal under the provisions of G. O., No. 1389, of 10th October 1872, from the Branch Civil Dispensary at Tinnevelly:—

1. Letter, No. 25, of 6th November 1872, from Acting Zillah Surgeon, Tinnevelly, covering letter, dated 5th November 1872, from Hospital Assistant Kistnama Razu, with extracts from Visitors' Book of Civil Dispensary and extracts from Annual Medical Reports.
2. Address to Hospital Assistant Kistnama Razu, by inhabitants of Tinnevelly, dated 11th December 1872.
3. Letter, No. 4657, of 1st Nov. 1872, from Depy. Surgeon-Genl., I. M. D., Southern District.
4. ,, ,, 4989, of 30th ,, ,, from ,, ,, ,,
5. ,, ,, 456, of 17th February 1873, from ,, ,, ,,
6. ,, ,, 2611, of 5th July 1873, from ,, ,, ,,

covering the memorial which is the subject of the present reference.

To be returned when no longer required.

2. Deputy Surgeon-General Johnston's letter submitting the memorial (No. 2611, of 5th instant, marked A), gives a résumé of the circumstances which led to this subordinate's removal by a damaging report by the Vice-President of the Municipality. But inquiries made subsequent to his removal tend to show that the allegations of the Vice-President are not borne out by the testimony of the general community; on the contrary, the letter of condolence addressed to the memorialist, under date the 11th December 1872* and signed by many influential members of the native community, amongst whom are certain members of the Municipal Commission, shows that his services were much appreciated, and tends to throw discredit upon the statement of the Vice-President.

* Marked B.

3. The Government will also observe that various testimonials bearing on the memorialist's services are very flattering, both as to his professional ability and general character and reputation.

4. So long a period has elapsed since the occurrence which led to the removal of this subordinate that it is necessary to state that his case has not been lost sight of in the interim, and that quite a large correspondence exists in this office on the subject, commencing with a representation of the memorialist's case on the 5th November 1872.

5. I submit only so much of the correspondence as appears to me to be necessary to establish the points for which the memorialist contends, viz., (1), that the unfavourable report by the Vice-President of the Municipality was the result of animus arising out of misunderstanding as to the duties of the Hospital Assistant in relation to the Municipality; (2), that the inhabitants of Tinnevelly, and some members of the Municipality themselves, do not endorse the opinion

pronounced by the Vice-President; and (3), that the character he has borne in the service for ability and integrity are of the highest order, and that he ever acquired the esteem and confidence of his superiors both in the Civil and Medical Departments.

6. Inspector-General Balfour in removing Kistnama Razu simply carried out the orders of Government in their Proceedings, No. 1389, of 10th October 1872.

7. The memorialist now prays that he may be reposted to the district of Tinnevelly; if not to his previous post in the Tinnevelly Dispensary, either to the Palamcottah Dispensary, to the Jail Hospital at Palamcottah, or to the Collector's Department, Tinnevelly. I submit his memorial for favourable consideration, and shall be glad to receive the permission of Government to accede to his wishes and thus remove the stigma now attaching to him under the proceedings taken upon the report of the late Vice-President of the Tinnevelly Municipality. His transfer to one or other of the alternative posts he ventures to name would satisfy him, though, should the Right Honourable the Governor in Council, on reconsideration of the case, sanction his reappointment to the Tinnevelly Dispensary, it would constitute a more complete removal of the disgrace attaching to him.

Referred to the Collector of Tinnevelly for his remarks.

OOTACAMUND,
2nd August 1873.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

No. 62. From R. K. PUCKLE, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Nannagaram, 17th September 1873, No. 490.

As requested I have the honour to report on the memorial from a Hospital Assistant enclosed in the Acting Surgeon-General of Hospital's letter herewith returned.

2. Kistnama Razu, the memorialist, was removed from the charge of the Tinnevelly Municipal Hospital by Order of Government, No. 1389, dated 10th October 1872, on the strength of a report from the Vice-President of the Municipality stating that the people disliked the man and had no confidence in him.

3. The memorialist would have done well, perhaps, to have remained satisfied with this order; but, as he owned property in Palamcottah, and is said to have contracted an intimacy with a dancing-girl in Tinnevelly, he got up an address in his favour and prevailed on some good-natured persons to sign it. Some of those who signed the address now own that they knew nothing of the memorialist personally; others that they signed it to get rid of his importunities; and not one will confess that he signed it from any real wish to retain the memorialist's services.

4. The Additional Sub-Collector, who is now Vice-President of the Municipality, has now convened a public meeting and called for a general expression of opinion on the subject of the memorialist's removal from Tinnevelly. As the enclosed letter and depositions show, public opinion is dead against the memorialist, who is condemned as immoral, inattentive, extortionate, and unpopular.

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5. Depositions have been taken from nineteen people, among whom are the Sub-Registrar, the District Munsif, the Taluq Tahsildar, two Mission Schoolmasters, a Zemindar, and two members of the Municipal Committee, including the late Vice-President. Some of these witnesses speak of the memorialist's unpopularity in general terms, some cite instances of extortion and fraud, and some narrate how they came to sign the letter of condolence made use of by the memorialist.

6. Out of upwards of 100 people who attended the meeting not one but the memorialist's nephew could be found to speak in his favour, and this nephew was unable to indicate any one to support him.

7. It is difficult to decide from *ex parte* statements how far the man is to blame; but it is certain that he has made himself obnoxious to the people, whom he was bound to serve to the best of his ability, and whom he ought to have treated with some degree of sympathy and kindness. The system of feeing medical subordinates is open to great abuse, and it certainly seems a hardship that the rate-payers of a Municipality should have to wrangle with their medical man as to what they should pay for each visit.

8. In my letter, No. 181, dated 13th June 1873, I proposed a fixed scale of fees which with a slight alteration was generally approved of by the Inspector-General of Hospitals (*vide* Government Proceedings, No. 959, dated 9th July 1873), and, as this scale was prepared in consultation with some of the Municipal rate-payers, I think that it might be tried, if only to prevent such scandals as have now been brought to light.

9. The Surgeon-General's letter and its enclosures are herewith returned.

From A. T. ARUNDEL, Esq., Officiating Additional Sub-Collector of Tinnevelly, to R. K. PUCKLE, Esq., Collector of Tinnevelly, dated Tinnevelly, 10th September 1873, No. 60.

I have the honour to inform you that, as requested in your letter, dated 26th August, No. 936, I have taken down statements regarding Kistnama Razu, the late Dresser of the Tinnevelly Dispensary, from nineteen persons, and now forward the record together with the enclosures of your letter.

2. To ensure the utmost freedom of expression on both sides I called a public meeting in Tinnevelly announcing its object and requesting specially the attendance of the Municipal Commissioners and of those persons who signed the farewell address to the late Dresser. Between one and two hundred persons attended, including the principal residents of Tinnevelly. The two Commissioners who concurred with the adverse report originally sent in, and who also signed the farewell address, did not attend, but one of them, D. Kumarasami Mudaliar, wrote to express his adherence to the opinion he had previously given as to the Dresser's unpopularity.

3. The following facts have been established by my inquiry :—

(1.) That the late Dresser, Kistnama Razu, was generally believed to have formed a connexion with a dancing-girl of the town, which led to irregular attendance at the hospital and lowered him in the estimation of many of the respectable inhabitants.

(2.) That he demanded, and received, money from patients attending the Municipal Hospital.

(3.) That he did not keep faith with certain private patients with whom he had made agreements as to his fees.

(4.) That he was believed to give proper medical treatment only to those who paid him.

(5.) That he was almost universally unpopular.

4. I was, much to my surprise, unable to obtain any statement distinctly in favour of the Dresser, and his nephew, whose statement is recorded, and who admitted that all the chief residents of Tinnevelly were present, could point out no one to speak in his uncle's favour. I ought to add that the great publicity of the proceedings weighed strongly with me in giving credit to the statements made, and that the presence of the District Munsif of Tinnevelly, of the Zemindar of Pudur, and of other persons of official and private influence, all of whom signed the farewell address, was guarantee against the suppression of evidence in the Dresser's favour.

5. The facility with which signatures were obtained to the farewell address is an ordinary feature of petition-writing, and those subscribers who were examined had no idea of the public use that would be made of their names. The District Munsif signed because the Dresser was recommended by another District Munsif, the Pudur Zemindar because his family was then under the Dresser's treatment, another because he was pressed by a mutual friend, and so on. Twelve of those who signed were not actually residents of Tinnevelly.

6. After recording the statements enclosed, the number of which could, if necessary, be indefinitely increased, I took the general sense of the meeting, which by standing up expressed unanimous dissatisfaction with the conduct of the late Dresser and repugnance to his return, while *per contra* none rose to express satisfaction and confidence.

STATEMENTS recorded at a Public Meeting held in the Municipal Office of Tinnevelly on 9th September 1873.

1. *Asirvadam.*—I am Inspecting Schoolmaster to the Church Mission Society, and I live in Tinnevelly and have lived here for eighteen years. I knew the late Dresser. He was not popular. He attended my eldest son who was nearly drowned. My son died after eight days. I paid no fee. He was not kind or sympathizing. It was known all over the town that he kept a dancing-girl named Magamai for some years and that in consequence he was unpunctual in attendance at the hospital. Certain Hindoos and Christians, whom I told to go to the hospital, said it was no use as the medicine was only water. On one or two occasions about 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. I took patients there but he was not present.

2. *Kaliappa Pillai, Cultivator.*—I live in Tinnevelly. I have attended the hospital under the late Dresser for a wound. I was an out-patient. I attended the hospital. He did not attend me at my house. I paid Rupees 5. The medicine he gave hurt me, and when I told him he said I must pay for the medicine. Then he gave me some different medicine. My case afterwards came before the Magistrate as the man who stabbed me was tried.

3. *Veeravagu Pillai.*—I live in Tinnevelly. My son, a child of 8, was an in-patient under the late Dresser. I took him for a week and to no good, and thinking he wanted a fee I paid him Rupees 10. I agreed to pay him Rupees 21 if he cured my son, but I paid him only Rupees 10 and afterwards took my son elsewhere.

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5. *Palavesam Pillai.*—I am a private vakeel and live in Tinnevelly. I knew the late Dresser. He was intimate with a dancing-girl named Magamai and through this he did not regularly attend hospital and the people lost confidence in him.

6. *Narayanasami Naidu.*—I am Sub-Registrar of Tinnevelly and live here. I knew the late Dresser. I placed myself under his treatment agreeing to pay him Rupees 35 if he cured me. He demanded part before he cured me, and as I was benefitting I paid him Rupees 10 ; but after a few days he asked Rupees 10 more and I objected and sent only Rupees 5. He returned it and I gave up attending him and had to go to Palamcottah as he broke his engagement. I was consequently on bad terms with him.

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7. *Ponnusami Mudaliar.*—I am District Munsif of Tinnevelly but reside at Kokrakulam. I signed the farewell address to the late Dresser. I did so at his request because Strinivasacharlu, Additional District Munsif, had spoken favourably of him. I knew nothing of him from my personal knowledge. I should not have signed it if I had known he would have used it in this way. Intimacy with a dancing-girl (of which I have heard since his departure), would lower him professionally in the eyes of respectable people.

8. *T. L. Huffton.*—I am Head Master of the Church Mission School in Tinnevelly and live in the suburbs. I signed the address to the late Dresser at his request. It was at his request, and I thought it was private and had no idea it was to be made public. He prescribed for my mother, but she recovered before the medicine could reach her. I did not think he conducted himself so as to win general or public respect. I knew little of him personally, but from what I heard I formed the above opinion. I refused to attend a meeting about him when he asked me. I certainly would not have signed the address if I had known public use would be made of it.

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11. *Krishna Rau.*—I am Zemindar of Pudur and live in Tinnevelly. I knew the late Dresser. He prescribed for my family and my brother. He pressed me much for money, and I paid him about Rupees 150. My brother died but my family recovered. He attended for some months. I signed the address. I signed it at his personal request. I signed because my family was then under his treatment.

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13. *Peramanayagam Pillai.*—I am a Pleader of the District Court and live in Tinnevelly. It was not I who signed the address but a Pleader of the District Munsif's Court of my name. I knew the Dresser. He attended me for two years and I paid Rupees 7 a-month. I was not satisfied with him at the end because he did not keep to his agreement and refused to attend me unless I paid him more, and yet he lived in the opposite house.

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19. *Chinnatambi Pillai.*—I am Tahsildar of Tinnevelly and reside here. I heard various complaints against the late Dresser, and once in presence of Huzur Sheristadar advised him not to take money from the in and out-patients of the hospital. The people were dissatisfied with him.

Before his removal I thought he attended the dancing-girl's house as a doctor, but since then it has been a general opinion that he was intimate for other objects. Such a thing would lower him in the opinion of respectable people and particularly prevent his usefulness among respectable women.

Many other persons were ready to give statements as to the fact and the causes of the late Dresser's unpopularity, but no one would come forward to speak in his favour although I twice made the request besides requesting his nephew to point out any such.

The whole meeting rose when I asked those who were dissatisfied to rise, and none rose when I asked those in his favour to rise.

(Signed) A. T. ARUNDEL,
Offg. Addl. Sub-Collector and Vice-President.

No. 63. ORDER THEREON, 9th October 1873, No. 1450.

Copy of the Collector's letter will be furnished to the Acting Surgeon-General with reference to his representation on behalf of 1st Class Hospital Assistant Kistnama Razu.

2. The Governor in Council is quite satisfied of the propriety of this subordinate's removal from the charge of the Tinnevelly Dispensary and of his unfitness for any similar position.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Acting Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, with enclosures returned.
,, Collector of Tinnevelly.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of 1873 Madras,

FINANCIAL.

To

THE ACTING SURGEON-GENERAL,
INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 9th.

Read.

G. O., 9th October 1873, No. 1450.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 61—63.

Tinnevelly Dispensary.—The propriety of Hospital Assistant Kistnama Razu's removal from the charge of this dispensary upheld, and opinion as to his unfitness for any similar position expressed.

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Tinnevelly Offs Additional Sub Collector

No. 60. Office 10th September 1873 7

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To The Collector of
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(Signed) A. T. Arundel
Offg Addl Sub Collector

(True Copy)

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17 Kuthanaina Pillai late Vice President and now Municipal Commissioner. I formed my opinion of the late Dresser in many ways. There was no private difference between us. There was a general complaint that he refused to prescribe without money.

18 Venkatrama Raju. Nephew of late Dresser. When the Sanitary Commissioner was here none of the residents now present said any thing against the late Dresser. All the Chief Residents of Tinnevelly are present now. They did not complain like this before. I cannot say how they have arrived at their present opinion. I deny the Dresser's intimacy with the dancing girl. He may have attended her when she was sick. I cannot point out any one here to speak in the Dresser's favor. How could they sign the address if they had a bad opinion of him.

19 Chinnalambi Pillai. I am Tahsildar of Tinnevelly and reside here. I heard various complaints against the late Dresser and once in presence of Huzur Sheristadar advised him not to take money from the In & out patients of the Hospital. The people were dissatisfied with him. Before his removal I thought he attended the dancing girl's house as a Doctor, but since then it has been a general opinion that he

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was intimate for other objects. Such a thing would lower him in the opinion of respectable people and particularly prevent his usefulness among respectable women.

Many other persons were ready to give statements as to the fact and the causes of the late Dr Fesser's unpopularity, but no one would come forward to speak in his favor although I twice make the request, besides requesting his nephew to point out any such.

The whole meeting rose when I asked those who were dissatisfied to rise, and none rose when I asked those in his favor to rise.

Signed J. N. T. Arundel
Offs and Sub Collects
& Vice President

(True Copy)

R K Rucker
Collector

Tinnevelly Collector Cornish 6

No 490 Cutcherry Nanmagoram 17th September 1873

From

R. K. Puckle Esqr.
Collector

To The Honourable W. Hudleston
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

Sir,

As requested, I have the honor to report on the memorial from a Hospital Assistant enclosed in the Acting Surgeon General of Hospitals letter herewith returned.

2 Krishnama Raja, the Memorialist, was removed from the charge of the Tinnevelly Municipal hospital by order of Government No 1389 dated 10th October 1872, on the strength of a report from the Vice President of the Municipality, stating that the people disliked the man and had no confidence in him.

3 The Memorialist would have done well, perhaps, to have remained satisfied with this order, but as he owns property in Palamcottah and is said to have contracted an intimacy with a dancing girl in Tinnevelly, he got up an address in his favour and prevailed on some

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thr. Collector of Tinnevelly
& thr. Chief Secretary, &
Fort St. G. Sept 24 1873
Rd. Sept 25th 1873 No 490

Copy of Collr's report to Govt
dated 17th Sept 1873
on Krishnama Raja's
petition to be restored
to the Municipal Hospital
No 9th Sept 1873 Rejected
by the Collr

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good natured persons to sign it. Some of those who signed the address now own that they knew nothing of the Memorialist personally, others that they signed it to get rid of his importunities, and not one will confess that he signed it from any real wish to retain the Memorialists services.

4 The Additional Sub Collector, who is now Vice President of the Municipality, has now convened a public meeting and called for a general expression of opinion on the subject of the Memorialists removal from Tennevelly. As the enclosed letter and depositions show, public opinion is dead against the Memorialist who is condemned as immoral, inattentive, extortionate, and unpopular.

5 Depositions have been taken from 19 people among whom are the Sub Registrar, the District Munsiff, the Taluq Tahsildar, two Mission School Masters, a Zemindar and two Members of the Municipal Committee, including the late Vice President. Some of these witnesses speak of the Memorialists unpopularity in general terms. Some cite instances of extortion and fraud & some narrate how they came to sign the letter of condolence made use of by the Memorialist.

6 Out of upwards of 100 people who attended the meeting not one but the Memorialists nephew could be found to speak in his favour, and this nephew was unable to indicate any one to support him.

7 It is difficult to decide from exparte statements how far the man is to blame, but it is certain that he has made himself obnoxious to the people, whom he was bound to serve to the best of his ability, and whom he ought to have treated with some degree of sympathy and kindness. The system of fees & Medical Subordinates is open to great abuse, and it certainly seems a hardship that the rate payers of a Municipality should have to wrangle with their Medical man as to what they should pay for each visit.

8 In my letter No 181 dated 18th June 1878, I proposed a fixed scale of fees which with a slight alteration was generally approved of by the Inspector General of Hospitals vide Government proceedings No 959 dated 9th July 1878, and as this scale was prepared in consultation with some of the Municipal rate payers, I think that it might be tried, if only to prevent such scandals as have now been brought to light.

9 The Surgeon Generals letter and its enclosures are herewith returned.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed Servt

A K Fuchs.
Collector

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INDIAN TELEGRAPH.

Local No. 210

To (Station) Ootacamund

From (Station) Palamcottah

No.	Words.	Time tendered for transmission. (Madras time.) Day	H.	M.
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Official Instructions.—

To (Person) His Excellency the Governor

From (Person) Kanthimathinatha Moodeliar

For unpopularity dresses His Highness Kistnamaraja removed the relatives Adoptive Inhabitants comes back. For dislike Inakkurmanal reasons vide January dated thirteenth last Inhabitants vakil

Vide Extraordinary Gazette of 23/6/13

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1873 Extract Dy. No. 1729 Ootacamund Collector's Office

Chief Secretary's Fort St. George

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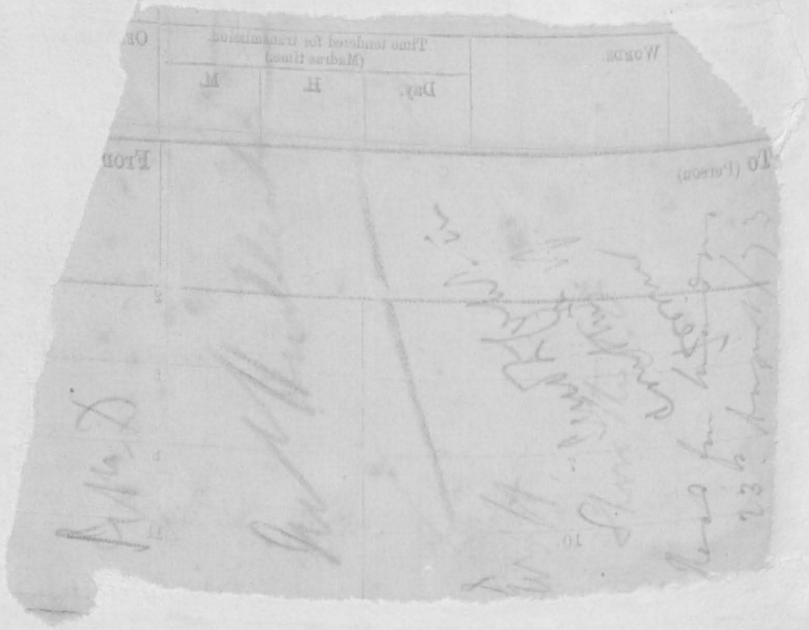
Fee Rs. 1-4-0 Cash 1st Oct 1873 Sd/ Illegible

Sd/ Illegible Collector 15 Oct 1873

Submitting report on the Proceedings of the late Rajah of Pudukottai

Municipal Engineer

Kalimere



Collectors No 3129

Say that he will come back, but that the inhabitants dislike him for reasons stated in the Muhuzarnamah dated 13th January last.

Government of Madras,

Financial DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. ~~2997~~ of 1873.

From Kanthimathinatha Moodelliar

Occupation.

Village. of Palamcottah.

Talook.

District.

Dated 18th August 1873

Received 28th " "

Enclosures.

Abstract.

Represents that the relatives of Krishnama- roya, the Professor who was removed for unpopularity

No. 2997 of 1873.
Transferred to the Collector with reference to enclosures dated 13th May 1873
on Petition No. 2314-255 of 1873.
By Order
[illegible]
Sec. to Govt.
5.9.73
Asst. Saml. Gorge
28th August 1873

No 14 of 1873

Government of Madras,

Financial DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. 24 of 1873.

From Moothia Pillay, Manikiavasagum Pillay and others of

Occupation.

Village.

Talook.

District. Tinnevelly

Dated 18th January 1873

Received 21st

Enclosures.

Abstract.

Represent that on the report of the Arundel that the inhabitants justly complain against Kristnama

Kristnama Razo the Dresser in charge of the hospital, the Govt has been pleased to direct his transfer from the place; but to that on hearing this, the Dresser requested several residents of the town to sign a certificate of his good conduct; that none of the respectable inhabitants of the place complied with his request, but that the people of some of the out-stations have signed the Certificate. Complain

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Complaining against the Dresser, add that if an enquiry be instituted into his conduct through the or through any other Collector, petrs statements will be fully proved.

Fort St. George
13th Jany 1873

No report on the subject has reached Govt
By order &c
Gt Smith
Secy to Govt

Fin Cir 1450

No 13 of 73

Government of Madras,

Financial DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. ~~255~~ of 1873.

From Syed Hoossain Saib, Asseravadum Pillay and

Occupation. Others, inhabitants of

Village.

Talook.

District. Tinnevelly

Dated 18th } January 1873

Received 24th }

Enclosures.

Abstract.

G.O. Oct. 3 Jan. 61-63

Vide No. 231 of 1873

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from

the Acting Surgeon General, dated 31st July 1873, No. 284.
— Collector of Tinnevelly — 17th Sept. 1873, No. 490.

Order thereon. Octacamund. 9 October 1873. No. 1450.

Copy of the Collector's letter will be furnished to the Acting Surgeon General, with reference to his representation on behalf of 1st Class Hospital Assistant Kistnama Razu.

2. The Governor in

No. 231 and 255 of 1873.

Transferred to the Collector of Timevelly.

No report on the subject has reached Government.

By order

Fort St George
13th May 1873

A Stirling
Ag. Under Secy to Govt

in Council is quite sa-
tisfied of the propriety
of this subordinate's
removal from the charge
of the Tinnevelly Dis-
pensary, and of his
unfitness for any si-
milar position.

I do not print the Coll. letter of 15th June in the bundle under-dissent—it may be put up.
The question of fees is an important one and some distinct policy must be adopted
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Vide Par. 9 July 1873 p. 959 put up

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The Ag. Surgeon General

I. M. Dept. with enclosure noted

— Collector of Tinnevelly.

This is one of the cases that we never have put in —

dispd 23/10

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Govt. of {1873} Madras.

Financial

To

The Surg. Genl. I. M. Dept.

Sea.

Dated 6th. 9. } 1873, No. 450

Recd.

Nos. 61-63

Limerally Dispy. The Superintendy of Hospl. Asst. Vist. Samarazoo's removal from the charge of this Dispy. upheld & opinion as to his unfitness for any similar position kept pressed.

Genl. Dept. R 20