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Municipal.

No. 53. Read the following letter from W. H. GLENNY, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Kurnool, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Kurnool, 18th May 1875, No. 170:—

I have the honor to submit the following proposals for the orders of Government.

2. You are aware of the extreme and rapidly-increasing unhealthiness of the town of Cumbum and its neighbourhood. To such an unprecedented and alarming pitch did the prevalence of fever and dysenteric disease rise last month that at the Head Assistant Collector's request made, in view of the emergency, direct to Government, special means have been taken to combat the sickness.

3. This, however, is only a temporary measure of relief. And Mr. Farmer as Vice-President of the Municipality is laudably anxious that permanent provision should be made for strengthening the supply of medicines at the disposal of the Municipality. All the year round fever is endemic in Cumbum, and Mr. Farmer's assertion that the whole of the present municipal allotment for medicines, *viz.*, Rupees 350, is not more than half enough, is I have no doubt true. Mr. Farmer calculates that probably some 9,000 people, *i.e.*, two-thirds of the population of the town and neighbouring villages, are fever-stricken several times in the course of each year, and would present themselves for treatment if medicines were to be had. Even if this calculation be very much over the mark the expenditure in quinine alone would probably not fall short of the present allotment above mentioned.

P.S.—I have just learnt, demi-officially, from Mr. Farmer that Rupees 100 worth of quinine has been used within a fortnight since Dr. Ross' arrival.

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4. The Vice-President's proposals, as I understand them, are as follow: To increase the present allotment, *first*, by the reimposition of the Profession-tax; and, *secondly*, by withdrawing (with permission of Government) the allotment of Rupees 274 to the Middle-class School, together with a portion of the Education Results Grant, and thereby saving about Rupees 50; and also by dispensing with the Municipal Vaccinator, and thus saving about Rupees 100. It is proposed that the vaccination work should be done by the Taluq Vaccinators at present, and ultimately by pupil-apprentices.

5. The resolution of the Municipal Commissioners (copy of which is herewith submitted) shows how the Commissioners view the question.

6. I have since had a letter from the Vice-President (No. 58, dated 7th May 1875), which is supplementary to the above-mentioned resolution. It offers three suggestions as alternatives to the steps proposed in the resolution. These are that Government should either (1) take upon itself the entire support of the Middle-class School, or (2) should make a special extraordinary grant to the head "Hospitals" in the Municipality, or (3) should do *both*.

7. Government now allows the school a contribution of Rupees 366. The entire cost of its support would be Rupees 640. Mr. Farmer does not specify the sum that Government might give as an extraordinary contribution to "Hospitals;"

but the general tenor of both the resolution and the letter show that Rupees 300 or Rupees 400 are considered to be needed.

8. Having given these various proposals my best consideration, I have the honor to recommend that Government should comply with the suggestion that the Municipality might be wholly relieved of the cost of the Middle-class School. This recommendation I venture to make in view of the exceptionally slight provision for education made by Government in this district. There is only one school, the Middle-class School at Koilakuntla, maintained wholly by Government. There was one in Nandicotkur, but it was abolished about two years ago. The backward state of education in Kurnool was strongly commented upon in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 174, dated 17th May 1869.

9. G.O., No. 332, dated 2nd March 1874, seems to give reason for believing that the proposal to reimpose the Profession-tax will be considered almost if not quite inadmissible.

10. If the existing municipal share of the upkeep of the Middle-class School be set free for devotion to "Hospitals," I think there will be no need for an extraordinary grant in addition.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners, dated 10th April 1875.

Read letter, No. 337, dated 14th March 1875, from the Collector, with reference to the possibility of raising the allotment of Rupees 350 already made for medicines by sparing something under some other head.

2. The Commissioners are of opinion that the Profession-tax ought to be reimposed, as the incidence of municipal rates seems very unequal now. The poor pay heavily for their bullocks, carts, and houses, while rich Sowcars often pay very little.

3. In the next place the Commissioners observe that the expenditure of Municipal Funds on a Middle-class School can only be defended when adequate allotments for the purposes contemplated by the Act have been made. The allotment from Municipal Funds for the Middle-class School is Rupees 274. The Commissioners resolve to recommend that this sum be spent on medicines, and aid to the Anglo-Vernacular School be withdrawn.

4. With the death-rate at 100 per mille per annum the Commissioners believe they cannot in justice to the trust reposed in them continue to aid middle-class education, while provision for medicines is altogether inadequate.

5. Under Salary and Results Grants the Commissioners are of opinion that a saving of Rupees 50 may be made and this sum applied to the purchase of medicine.

6. Vaccination, as observed by the Deputy Surgeon-General in his Inspection Report, cost the Municipality about Rupees 3 per successful case last year. The Commissioners are of opinion that this work might well be done by the Taluq Vaccinator, a small contribution to whose pay the Commissioners would willingly make.

7. If the step were approved a saving of Rupees 100 under Vaccination might be effected.

8. The Commissioners believe that many persons will be willing to come as apprentices (G.O. No 418, dated 23rd February 1875, Financial Department) if payment of Rupees 5 be made monthly from Municipal Funds.

9. The Commissioners believe that the apprentice might well be taught to vaccinate and carry on this work while learning other work under the medical subordinate. This proposal the Commissioners would wish to be submitted for the opinion of the Deputy Surgeon-General and Superintendent-General of Vaccination.

10. The Commissioners, with reference to the letters recorded with G.O., No. 352, dated 17th February 1875 (reviewing the Budget), resolve to sanction a disbursement of Rupees 30 as the monthly pay of the present Manager as long as he may be continued in the post, and will

decide on the pay which they think his successor ought to get after they have had an opportunity of testing his qualifications.

11. A copy of this resolution will be submitted to the President with a request that a supplementary budget embodying the proposed changes be forwarded for the sanction of Government (Section 32, Act III. of 1871).

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. H. GLENNY,
President.

No. 54. ORDER THEREON, 4th June 1875, No. 1216.

The Governor in Council is prepared to sanction the supply, gratis, of the medicines required at Cumbum, so far as the demand is in excess of the average for an ordinary healthy district of the same size.

2. The Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, will state what this should be.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
,, President of the Municipal Commission, Cumbum.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 170 Kurnool Branch Office
18th May 1875.

From

The President
C. M. C
Kurnool

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
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To

The SURGEON-GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

&c. &c. &c.

Dated June, 4th

Issued

Read.

Encl.

G.O., 4th June 1875, No. 1216.

JUNE.
Nos. 53-54.

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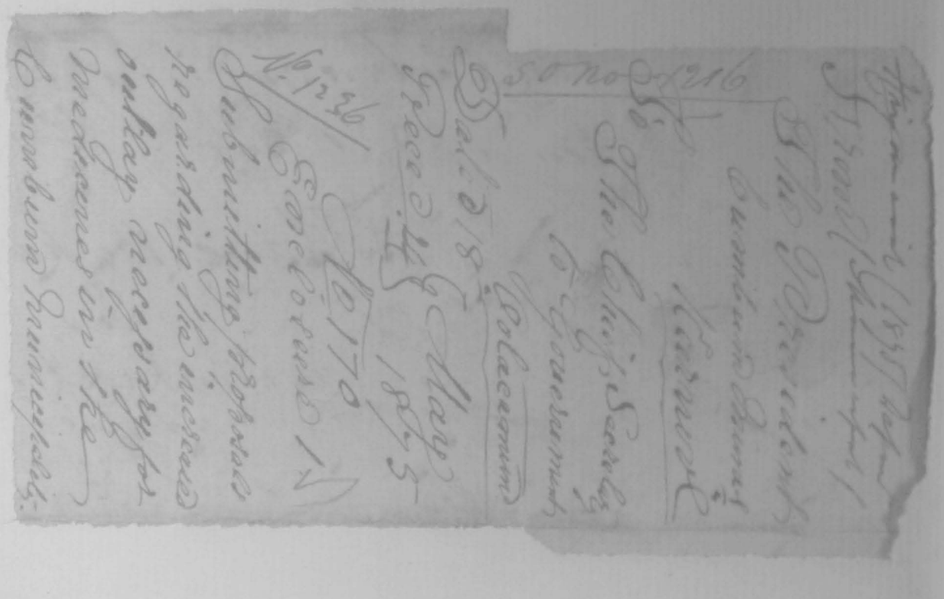
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President

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A copy of this resolution will be submitted to the President with a request that a Supplementary Budget embodying the proposed changes be forwarded for the sanction of Government (Section 32 Act III of 1871).

True Extract.
W. Allen
President

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Financial Department.

Memorandum for Orders
on a letter from the President of the Cumbum Municipality
dated 6th May 1875. No. 170.

Have we not asked for a special report on the sanitary condition of Cumbum – with a view of removing the officials? How this come in? Note

In this letter the President brings to notice the "extreme and rapidly increasing unhealthiness of Cumbum and its neighbourhood", and points out the very inadequate provision made in the Budget for medicines, and the necessity for permanently augmenting the supply to meet emergencies.

I think the proper course is for Govt to supply medicines gratis? / can town Corporation be induced to demand it in lieu of that right the demand an average proportionately healthy district of same size. & Govt ask Municipality to say that they will be willing to do so.

2. To meet the additional

additional expenditure which must be incurred the Vice President proposes

(a) To re-impose the Profession Tax.*

(b). To withdraw from the Budget the allotments of Rs 274 to the Middle Class Schools; Rs 50 for Educational Results grants, and Rs 100 for the Municipal Vaccinator

3. The alternative proposals are

(a) That Govt. should bear the entire cost of the Middle Class Schools

(b) That they should make a special extraordinary

* Note

This was estimated at Rs 1800 for 1874

* about Rs 300 or Rs 400.

extraordinary* grant for the Municipal Hospital.

(c) Or that they should do both.

4. The present Govt. Contribution towards the school is Rs 366. The cost to the Municipality is Rs 640 or Rs 274 in excess.

5. The President recommends that Govt. should comply with the suggestion that the Municipality be relieved wholly of the cost of the Middle Class Schools, and that, if this were done, there will be no need for an extraordinary grant in addition for Hospitals.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Order thereon - Postponed 4 June 1875. No 1216.

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To
The Surgn Genl I. Med. Dept.t
— Presidt of the Municl Comr, Cumbum.

Desptd 18/6

Gen. A. 3/6/75

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To

Dated 4 June
Recd. } 1875, No. 1216

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