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Municipal—Medical.

Read the following papers:—

No. 20. From A. McC. WEBSTER, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Mangalore, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Mangalore, 7th July 1875, No. 65.

I have the honor, at the desire of the Commissioners, to forward, for the information of Government and such notice as they may deem proper, an extract from their proceedings held on the 1st instant, and a copy of the letter therein alluded to.

From Surgeon-Major D. C. McALLUM, M.D., Civil Surgeon, Mangalore, to A. McC. WEBSTER, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Mangalore, dated Mangalore, 21st June 1875, No. 110.

I have the honor to report, for your information, that the annual supply of medicines for the use of the Civil Dispensary has not yet been received.

2. The annual indent was sent in for the approval and sanction of the Municipal Commissioners on the 21st December 1874, and was passed and forwarded by them to the Chief Secretary to Government on the 27th January 1875, and passed by the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, on the 5th February 1875. On the 30th April the medicines were forwarded by the Principal Medical Storekeeper to the Master Attendant, Madras, to be forwarded by steamer to this station. The Master Attendant kept the stores till the 15th May, and then returned them to the Medical Stores stating that there was "no chance of providing freight for the stores for Mangalore till the termination of the south-west monsoon." On the 15th May the Medical Storekeeper forwarded the stores by rail to the care of the Commissariat Agent, Calicut, and I presume the stores must have arrived at Beypore at the latest on the 20th May, and they were retained there until the 4th instant, and *then* only forwarded by cart to Cannanore.

3. Owing to the non-receipt of the medicines I am put to great inconvenience, and the funds of the dispensary to a greater expense, as I have to buy medicines in the local market at greatly enhanced prices. In conclusion, I beg to draw your attention to the unnecessary delay that has occurred in the despatch of the medicines by the Master Attendant's Office, Madras, and the Commissariat Purveyor, Beypore.

Forwarded to the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, for inquiry and report.

OOTACAMUND,
14*th July* 1875.

(Signed) CHARLES MACLEAN,
Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 21. From Surgeon-General E. G. BALFOUR, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort St. George, 20th October 1875, No. 533.

I have the honor to mention, with reference to the documents received with memorandum of the 14th July, that the earlier non-delivery at Mangalore of the Dispensary's Annual Consignment of Medical Stores was caused, first, by the earlier setting in of the monsoon preventing them being sent by sea, and, secondly, by the Commissariat Agent at Beypore having been unable for three weeks (from 17th May to 5th June) to obtain carts to convey them by land.

2. The Mangalore indent, dated 21st December 1874, was received in this office on the 2nd, and passed on the 5th February 1875. The Depôt of Medical Stores delivered the consignment to the Master Attendant, Madras, on the 30th April. The consignment, however, was transferred to the Commissariat Department, and sent by the Commissariat from this on the 15th May to Beypore, which place it reached on the 17th May; but the monsoon had set in, and the Commissariat Agent, unable to get carts, retained them for three weeks there till the 5th June, so that the consignment was not delivered at Mangalore until the 14th July.

3. There was not received from the Medical Officer there any application for any particular drug. Had such come to hand it would have been easy for the Depôt to have sent it by banghy; and with due attention to the prescriptions and his stock on hand, it is quite an easy matter for every Medical Officer to see what article or articles are running short, and to apply for fresh supplies two months before a drug becomes exhausted. Each hospital lays in a stock sufficient for eighteen months, but in every hospital, in every year, owing to the varying character of the occurring ailments, some drugs are more in use than others, and where an article is running short, application for a supply in advance is made to the Depôt, or a temporary loan is obtained from the hospitals in the same station. No such application was received by the Depôt.

4. This will not again occur, because I have since issued a circular order requiring all Civil and Military Hospitals situated on the Western Coast, in places exposed to the south-west monsoon, to send their indents to the Depôt by the 1st January of each year, and if they will carefully act on that order, it will be an easy matter to supply them. The 1st of January of each year was indeed the time fixed by my predecessor for the annual indents of all Civil Hospitals to be in the Depôt, and I have since reissued his order, but I give on the margin the numbers received in each month of the current year, which will show how little that requirement has been attended to, and amongst them, the Mangalore indent was not received until the beginning of February. I have a third time drawn the attention of all Civil Hospitals to the necessity of sending their indents by the 1st January, and hope that more attention will be given to this order than has hitherto been the case.

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No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 4th November 1875, No. 2151.

Communicated to the President of the Municipal Commission, Mangalore.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

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

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of Madras.

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To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Mangalore.

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Dated November, 4th.

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G.O., 4th November 1875, No. 2151.

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Municipal—Medical—The explanation of the Surgeon-General of the cause of the late delivery at Mangalore of the annual supply of Medical Stores for the Civil Dispensary, communicated.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Mangalore held on the 1st July 1875.

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Para 3. Read letter dated 21st June 1875, No. 110, from the Civil Surgeon, Mangalore, informing that owing to the non-receipt of the annual supply of Medicines to the Civil Dispensary, he is obliged to purchase the required Medicines in the Local Markets at greatly enhanced rates, and drawing the attention of the Commissioners to the delay that has occurred in the despatch of Medicines by the Master Attendant at Madras, and the Commissariat Purveyor at Beypur.

Resolved that a copy of the Civil Surgeons letter be forwarded to Government and that attention be requested to the great delay in Supplying the Medicines from the Medical Stores. The boxes of Medicines have not yet been received, and great inconvenience has been experienced in consequence of the Supply of Medicines in more common use having run out several months ago, and that of other Medicines being almost exhausted. Had the Medicines been Supplied at once they could have been sent round by Steamer and the Commissioners saved the heavy railway charge to Beypur and the Expensive land carriage up the Coast. There seems also to have been considerable delay in the Master attendants Office at Madras and on the pa

Extract of the Commissariat Surveyor's Report

(True Extract)

Wm. Stevens
President

Enclosure in a letter from the Principal Medical Storekeeper to the Municipal Commissioners to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George dated 4th July 1875. No. 65.

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No. 110. Mangalore 21st June 1875.

From,

The Civil Surgeon
Mangalore

To,

The President
Municipal Commissioners, Mangalore

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed).
D. E. McCallum. M.D.
Civil Surgeon,
Manpalore

(True copy)

Army Secretary
President

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Municipal Commissioners Office
Mangalore, 7th July 1875.

No 65

From,

A. McC. Webster Esquire
President of the Munl. Commissioners
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To,

The Honble D. F. Carmichael
Offg. Chief Secretary to Govt
Fort St George.

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Enclosure in a letter from the President of the Municipal Commissioners to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, dated 7th July 1875, No 65.

Read No 1650 / 24 / 75

Ans No 2455 / 75

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No. 533

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL, I. M. D.,
Fort Saint George, 20 October 1875.

From

SURGEON-GENERAL EDWARD BALFOUR,
Surgeon-General,
Indian Medical Department,
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To

The Chief Secretary to Government
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No. 930. Dated 15th July 1875.
Acknowledged by the Deputy Surgeon General
To the Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

Dated 14th July 1875.
Rec'd 15th July 1875.
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Transmitted to the Surgeon General Indian Medical Department for ongoing telegram.
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Chas Sinclair
Actg. Under Secretary

Forwarded to the Surgeon General Indian Medical Department with his Encloss

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I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Edwar Balfour Surgeon
Surgeon General
Indian Medical Dept.

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From

Surgeon-General E. BALFOUR,
Surgeon-General,
Indian Medical Department,
Fort Saint George.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Financial Department
Fort St. George.

Dated 20 Oct.

Despatched

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Reports the causes of the late delivery at Mangalore of the Annual Supply of Med. Stores of the Civil Dispy.

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Fort St. George 28th Oct 1870

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