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Municipal—Medical.

No. 76. Read the following letter from Surgeon-General E. G. BALFOUR, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 26th January 1875, No. 50:—

I have the honor to forward, for submission to Government, the accompanying letter* from the Vice-President of the Municipal Commission at Bimlipatam, requesting that the Assistant Apothecary, at present in temporary Medical charge of the Civil Dispensary at that station, may, with the sanction of Government, be confirmed in lieu of a Warrant Medical Officer of the Apothecary Grade, constituting the authorized Medical Establishment for that institution.

* Dated 14th December 1874.

2. Before the transfer of this Dispensary from the late Hospital Committee to the Municipality, a similar request was preferred by the former body, and the matter was reported on by me in my letter to Government, No. 198, of 2nd May 1874. I was unable to support that request for the following reasons:—On that date there was one Warrant Medical Officer of the grade of Apothecary supernumerary to all the requirements of Imperial, Provincial, and Local Services; and if the Apothecary sanctioned for Bimlipatam be replaced by an Assistant Apothecary, the effect will be, that instead of one, there will be two supernumerary Warrant Medical Officers of the grade of Apothecary chargeable to the Imperial revenues, until they be absorbed.

Public Department.

3. I further intimated that as the establishment of Assistant Apothecaries had attained its normal limit, the further effect of conceding the Hospital Committee's request will be to promote a Passed Hospital Apprentice to the Warrant Grade of Assistant Apothecary in order to meet the requisition, at the same time that the Imperial revenues are burdened with the avoidable cost of maintaining an additional supernumerary Apothecary.

4. In their Order, No. 693, of 23rd June 1874, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council decided that "under existing arrangements a compliance with the request of the Chairman of the Bimlipatam Hospital Committee is not practicable."

5. The Municipal Commissioners have now revived the subject which was so definitely settled by Government so recently as June last, but as the particulars mentioned by them may not be in possession of Government, I have the honor to state them briefly for the consideration and orders of His Excellency in Council.

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Cook	4	monthly expenditure of Rupees 337-9-5.
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been further supplemented by keeping up a shop mainly for the sale of liquors, and with what was thus raised, the monthly recurring expenditure of Rupees 337 had to be met. The shop is about to be given up as incompatible with the Hospital work, and as this source of income will be abolished, the Vice-President believes that extra effort will have to be made to maintain the expenditure of the institution at its present reduced figure, and that it will be very difficult, if not impossible, to resume the authorized establishment of an Apothecary in lieu of the present acting incumbent.

7. Under these circumstances, Government may perhaps feel able to sanction the request of the Municipality, and allow the supernumerary Apothecary to be absorbed in the usual way by restricting promotion to that grade for every second vacancy.

From G RIPLEY, Esq., Vice-President, to Surgeon-General E. G. BALFOUR, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, Fort St. George, dated Bimlipatam, 14th December 1874.

In reference to your letter, dated 18th August 1874, I have now the honor to inform you that the Municipality has assumed charge of the Hospital of this town.

2. The position in which we find the Institution is this :—The establishment, as per enclosed Memorandum, amounts to Rupees 199 monthly ; the contingent charges for last month (embracing Rupees 78-10-0 for the dieting of 35 in-patients) amounted to Rupees 98-9-5 ; the cost of medicines, &c., average Rupees 40 per month, making a total monthly expenditure of Rs. 337-9-5. The receipts by subscriptions stand at Rupees 220 per month—the Local Fund and Municipal Boards contributing Rupees 59, His Highness the Maharajah of Vizianagrum Rupees 50, and the general public Rupees 120. From the shipping the fees during the current year have amounted to an average of Rupees 75 monthly ; and the receipts have been further supplemented by keeping up a shop mainly for the sale of liquors. To encumber Hospital work with such a shop seems so unprecedented and objectionable a procedure that Commissioners will no doubt determine at once to close it. The fees from the shipping, I need scarcely say, are of a precarious and unreliable character.

3. From this statement you will gather how difficult, if not impossible, it will be for the Municipality to entertain a first-class Apothecary. Even by an increased subscription from the Municipality of Rupees 25 or 50 per month, and by making a charge, not hitherto done, for medicines supplied, and by seeing that the in-patients who have the means shall, for the future, pay for their own dieting, we can do little more than meet the present scale of expenditure.

4. I have therefore the honor urgently to request that the hospital may be left on its present footing with an Assistant Apothecary in charge. You will be so good as to bear in mind that we are here very differently circumstanced to such towns as Vizagapatam, Rajahmundry, Cocanada, and Chetterpore, at all of which the Medical Officer is paid by Government, whilst here we have to make up his pay.

5. The hospital is now doing really good work. The number of in-patients last month was 35. The number of out-patients for six months ending 30th November was no fewer than 6281. I trust Government may be prevailed on to sanction our present request.

6. It will not be out of place to add that the present popularity of the hospital is greatly owing to the zeal and attention of Mr. Apothecary Xavier, who has made himself acceptable to all classes of the people.

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No. 77. ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1875, No. 249.

Under the circumstances reported, the Government do not feel justified in compelling the Municipality to employ a more highly paid officer than an Assistant Apothecary.

2. The Surgeon-General is therefore at liberty to comply with the request made to him by the Commissioners.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.

„ President of the Municipal Commission, Bimlipatam.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Calcutta 14 December 1874
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To

The Surgeon-General,
 Indian Medical Department,

Calcutta.

Dated February, 5th.

Recd.

Per

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FEBRUARY.
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G. Ripley
Vice President

No. 50

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL, I. M. D.,
Fort Saint George, 26th July 1875.

From

SURGEON-GENERAL EDWARD BALFOUR,
Surgeon-General,
Indian Medical Department,
Fort Saint George.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department

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Your most Obedt. Servt.

Edward Maffan

Surgeon General
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From

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

To

To the Chief Magistrate
of the County of Middlesex

Dated 26th January

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