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Local Funds—Vaccination.

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Read the following letter from W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, North Arcot District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 22nd December 1875, No. 695:—

In forwarding the accompanying copy of a letter from the Zillah Surgeon, dated 26th October last, No. 155, offering certain observations on the Vaccination Returns for the months of July and August 1875, and suggesting the introduction of the combined system of paying the Vaccinators partly by fixed salaries and partly by payment on the results of their operations, I have the honor to state that the Local Fund Board of the Chittoor Circle at their meeting held on the 19th ultimo approved of this suggestion, and resolved to try it experimentally for six months. They are further of opinion that half the present pay of Vaccinators should be regarded as their fixed salary and the remainder disbursed with reference to the number of cases vaccinated, which must not be less than the minimum* fixed by the Board at their meeting of the 12th April last. I have therefore the honor to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the sanction of Government to the trial of the system experimentally for the period above mentioned. Reports will be called for at the expiration of this time and the Board addressed with such proposals as may then appear expedient. Dr. Butler's suggestions on the subject of re-vaccination which would no doubt afford thorough protection commend themselves to the Local Fund Board.

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2*nd*.—I would note the diversity in practice which appears to exist regarding re-vaccination, the number of operators who resort to the latter being proportionately small. It has always been admitted that a single vaccination affords protection only for a limited period, differing in individuals, and that, in order to afford thorough protection, the operation should be

repeated after a certain length of time. I would therefore beg to suggest the advisability of urging the vaccinator to resort more commonly to the practice than appears to be done at present.

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4. Vaccinators in various parts of the country complain of the grant system, inasmuch as that at certain times of the year (when it is with difficulty that vaccination can be efficiently carried out, and during the presence of epidemics when people will not subject themselves or children to the action of the virus) that they are thrown out of work and have no means of support. This is obviously a great hardship, but I would beg to point out that by combining the two systems, *i.e.*, giving a regular subsistence allowance of a certain sum monthly, and also granting a certain amount per head for successful cases above a certain number, the objection can be avoided, and at the same time cause the increase of emolument to be dependent on the individual energy and skill of each man.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. S. WHITESIDE,
President, Local Fund Boards, North Arcot.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government through the Sanitary Commissioner.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
through the Sanitary Commissioner.

No. 239-A. From Surgeon-Major H. KING, A.M., M.B., Acting Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 10th February 1876, No. 172.

I have the honor to forward, for the consideration and orders of Government, the enclosed Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 287, of 31st January 1876.

No. 240. ORDER THEREON, 28th February 1876, No. 418.

The Government have no objection to the experiment being tried of paying the Vaccinators in the North Arcot District partly by fixed salaries and partly by

payment on the results of their operations. The result should be reported in due course.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
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,, ~~all Presidents of Local Fund Boards.~~
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,, the Accountant-General.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Dated February 28th.

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Local Funds—Vaccination.—The trial of the experiment of paying the Vaccinators in the North Arcot District partly by fixed salaries and partly by payment on the results of their operations, approved.

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Exd. W. J. Lewis.

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BOARD OF REVENUE,
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PROCEEDINGS, 31ST JANUARY 1876, No. 287.

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JANUARY.
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Vaccination. — Submitting for orders of Government, through the Sanitary Commissioner, letter from the President, Local Fund Boards, North Arcot District, requesting sanction for the introduction, as an experimental measure for six months, of the combined system of paying Vaccinators partly by fixed salaries and partly by payment on the results of their operations.

OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,

No. 172. Madras, 10th February 1876.

From

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The Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras.

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the consideration and orders of Government the enclosed Proceedings of the Board of Revenue No. 284 of 31st January 1876.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
Secy to Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras

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From

The Sanitary Commissioner

for Madras.

To The Chief Secretary to Government

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To the Board of Revenue

Sanitary Commissioner's Office

Madras 28th December 1875

Sir

I have the honor to submit herewith a proposal for the appointment of Vaccinators in Land Tenure Circles.

2. The Vaccinators will be required to visit every village in their Circles at least once in every year, and to keep a register of the number of children vaccinated by them, and of the number of successful cases.

3. I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

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