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Inspector's Notes of the Sanitary Commission
presented on the Coimbatore Municipality ✓

Coimbatore

Population 38967

Inspected 17 and 18 September 1886.

This town is well and regularly laid out. The streets are wide and there is as a rule, no great overcrowding of houses. There is every appearance of great care and trouble being taken as regards cleanliness. The Councillors work harmoniously for the public good and the Chairman shows great energy in the cause of Sanitation and of general improvement of

the town

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order

have gradually

been

The steady breezes that are always blowing and that cause a free circulation of air, also contribute to the salubrity of the place.

Conservancy. There has been no recent change in the establishment. The road sweepings are collected at several depôts and burnt in cinerators. The burning might be done more quickly than it is. Barrel-shaped dust bins of corrugated iron, with open ends are in use, and these are the best.

Latrines. Several public latrines that I saw were in good order, well ventilated and free from objectionable odors. The earth system is increasing a long

cannot be abolished.

Water Supply. There are several magnificent tanks surrounding the town nearly all connected with each other. These practically supply all the wells with water and they are not dependent on local rainfall, being all fed by the river — Hoagel. There is one radical defect here viz., that in the rainy season, the one and sole outlet for the town drainage comes to meet the channel from the largest to an adjoining small tank and is only separated from it by a wall — which at this season allows free percolation from the tanks to the sewer outlet. In the wet season the percolation tank water is drinking,

be guarded. I saw one small tank where a
prohibitory order seems effectual for conserving
the water and some arrangements for washing
elsewhere might be made and the practice
interdicted at the larger tanks also.

I learn that in the dry season the bed
of the largest tank is used as a latrine, the
small pools that remain being used for
washing the person after defecation.

I saw several of the large wells with
an abundant supply of wholesome clear water
in Slaughter-houses these are well ventilated
and have a good stone floor and are
plentifully supplied with water and
refuse flows away.

adorned by a large grass mound covered
with flowers. This improvement is due to
the public spirit and taste of the Chairman.
Hospital and Dispensary. In these institutions
there are ample accommodation and pro-
-vision for all the medical wants of the in-
-habitants, male and female.

There is a plentiful stock of medicines
and appliances which are all in good order,
and kept in accordance with Regulations.

There is every indication that the
Medical officer and his subordinate staff
are very useful and successful
in their treatment of in-patients and
out-patients besides
dispensary.

7 days before, the rest were of cases done the previous two weeks. The latter showed at site of each vesicle, large deep sores caused by application of margosa leaves.

The books were neatly kept and all instruments were very clean. I am told by the Medical Officer that animal vaccination was tried for four months, but there was ~~much~~ opposition to it and to supplying calves for it, ^{that} it had to be abandoned.

Registration. There are two registrars for the two divisions. The registers are carefully kept and are ^{at} ^{leadingly} improving.

No 1168

Office of Sanitary Commissioner

Madras 24 September 1886

From

Deputy Surgeon General W. Farquhar, M.D.
As Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department.

Sir

I have the honor to forward for the information of Government my Sanitary Inspection Notes on the Coimbatore Municipality.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Yours & Servant

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