

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No.	984	Press
35-37		Mis.
Dated	3. 8. 1861	10 .

2/3

Not to be folded or roughly handled

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
3rd August 1861.*

Read the following papers:—

No. 35. From JOHN RATLIFF, Esq., Acting Civil and Session Judge of Honore; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 13th July 1861, No. 355.

In submitting for the information of Government, copy of a letter addressed by me to the Principal Inspector General of Hospitals, complaining of the extreme tardiness of his Department in proposing some arrangement for appointment of a Covenanted Medical Officer to this Zillah and District, which has now been, virtually, well nigh *two months* without one, I have the honor to, very respectfully, solicit the favor of such notice, as may be deemed necessary.

From J. RATLIFF, Esq., Acting Civil and Session Judge of Honore; to the Principal Inspector General of Hospitals, Madras, dated 12th July 1861, No. 352.

As long ago as the 17th of May last, or within five days of a couple of months since, I addressed to the Deputy Inspector of Hospitals for this Division, both by Telegram and Tappal, a report, setting forth the *permanent* incapacity of our then Zillah Surgeon, (the late Dr. Forbes) for further duty, and urgently requesting, at his solicitation, that a successor might be appointed. On the 18th idem I again wrote on the same subject, and again on the 5th June, reporting Dr. Forbes' final departure, followed up by a semi-official on the 21st ultimo, with reiterated advertence to the state of things here medically. The Gazette of the 5th current is to hand, but neither therein, by separate communication, or in any way up till now, do I see, or have I received, intimation, of the appointment of a Medical Officer to take charge of this Zillah: the *entire District* of North Canara, the Jail, Civil Dispensary, and Station, being; and having thus long been, in charge of a "Dresser."

2. I have under these circumstances the honor to solicit your early attention to the subject, to express a hope that speedy measures will be adopted for relief of said Dresser, from his very heavy responsibilities.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. RATLIFF,
Acting Civil and Session Judge.

Referred to the Principal Inspector General Medical Department for early report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
24th July 1861.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

No. 36. From R. COLE, Esq., Principal Inspector General Medical Department, Fort Saint George; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 25th July 1861, No. 120.

Adverting to the letter marginally named referred to me for report, I have the honor to state:—Immediately on the report being received of the serious illness of the late Zillah Surgeon of Honore, I telegraphed orders to the Deputy Inspector General, Mysore Division, to detach Assistant Surgeon Marriott of the 1st Fusiliers at Bangalore to proceed forthwith to Honore to assume the Medical duties there. The reply was that the Assistant Surgeon was incapacitated from performance of duty by illness. The Deputy Inspector General reported that no other Medical Officer in the Division was available for the duty. In the meantime it was reported to me that Assistant Surgeon Bean of the 8th N. I., at Mangalore on a requisition from Honore had been sent thither, and up to a very late date I have been under an impression that he remained there, no report having reached of his return to his own station. The paucity of Medical Officers is such that no unemployed Assistant Surgeon is available to meet a sudden

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,

3rd August 1861.

emergency, but I have addressed Medical Officers who have applied for Civil appointments to know their wishes as to the Zillah of Honore, but have not as yet received answers. No time will now be lost in sending in for His Excellency the Governor's orders the name of a Medical Officer to fill the vacant appointment at Honore.

No. 37.

ORDER THEREON, 3rd August 1861, No. 984.

To be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

*Proceedings of the Madras Govt.
Read the following letters —
From the Civil Judge
of Honore — Inter 13th July '61 No. 355.
" the Principal
Inspector Genl.,
Madd. Dist. — 25th do No. 120.*

Order — 3rd August 1861 No. 984.

To be recorded.

JDS

W/He

Copy to the C. of Honore Sup. D. 3rd Aug 1861