

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
9th May 1864.*

No. 64. Read the following letter from L. C. INNES, Esq., Session Judge of Ootacamund ;
to J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails, Ootacamund, dated 21st April 1864,
No. 92.

Adverting to the Order of the Government passed on the 30th March 1864, upon a correspondence between Mr. Ratliff, the Judge of Bellary, and Dr. Balfour, Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Ceded District, I have the honor to request your opinion as to whether the order referred to contemplates the admission of Inspectors of Hospitals to the Jails in their range without permit of the officer in charge, or whether its intention coincides with the construction which I have put upon it, that the officers in charge have no reason to question the authority of Inspectors of Hospitals to visit such Jails, and should at once grant them the necessary permit to do so.

2. From the correspondence upon which the order was passed, it would appear that Mr. Ratliff supposed that the Jail rules authorized the Medical officer to introduce to the Jail any person in his company, which is not the case, the Inspector General of Jails and the officer in charge being the only officers having such authority ; and until I received a copy of the order of Government, I was under the impression that any other officer, not having any but occasional duties at the Jail, could not enter without the written permission of the officer in charge to the keeper of the Jail.

3. I never questioned the right of the Inspectors of Hospitals to require from the officer in charge the necessary permit, but I was, and still am, of opinion that Inspectors of Hospitals ought not to be admitted without such permit, or some introduction by one of the officers on regular duty, because the Inspectors of Hospitals are for the most part unknown to the keeper of the Jail, and are continually liable to be changed ; and the responsibility of the admission of strangers should be thrown rather upon the officer in charge, than upon the keeper of the Jail.

4. To obviate future misunderstanding, I beg that you will inform me whether the order of Government above referred to will bear the construction which I have put upon it.

MEMORANDUM.

Submitted, with reference to office letter, dated 7th instant, No. 681, to the Chief Secretary to Government.

OOTACAMUND,
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OF JAILS,
21st April 1864.

(Signed) J. ROHDE,
Inspector General of Jails.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George.

No. 65.* ORDER THEREON, 9th May 1864, No. 669.

The Governor in Council adheres to the opinion that the Inspector General of Hospitals, or Deputy Inspectors General, should be at liberty to visit the Jails without any permit from the officers in charge.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Jails,
,, Principal Inspector General, Medical Department.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

*Inspector General,
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Order thereon April 1864. No

The Governor in Council does not think it necessary that the Inspector General of Hospitals, or Deputy Inspector General, should obtain a permit from the Officer in charge, whenever he intends to visit a Jail. Such visits are usually made in company with the Medical Officer of the Jail, who, if the Inspecting Officer is personally unknown to the Keeper, can explain who he is.

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To the Inspector General of Jails
The Principal Medical Officer,
Medical Department

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Memorandum from the Inspector General of Jails - } Resolved 21st April 1864.

Order thereon 9th May 1864 No 669.

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