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No. 314. Read the following letter from W. MACKENZIE, Esq., M. D., Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 17th February 1868, No. 73.

1868, No. 73.

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Order of Government marginally noted, I have the honor to submit, for the information of Government, the result of my

No. 1879, of 21st November 1887, Judicial Department.

Tanjore, Madura, and Tinne-

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Order No. 1579, of 21st November 1897, Judicial Department. I have the honor to submit, for the information of Government, the result of my communication with the Magistrates of Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Madura, and Tinnevely, as to the number of lunatics in their respective districts for whom accommodation should be provided in the Asylum to be built at Trichinopoly.

2. The Magistrate of Trichinopoly is of opinion that provision should be made for six lunatics; and the Magistrates of Tanjore and Madura require accommodation for twenty-five and five, respectively. None of them specify the proportion of the sexes.

3. The Magistrate of Tinnevely reports that no accommodation will be wanted for lunatics of his district in the proposed Asylum at Trichinopoly, as "the Committee of Management of the Langerkhana, or Civil Hospital, of Tinnevely, propose building a Lunatic Asylum in the compound, to accommodate six male and six female lunatics."

4. The numbers above mentioned seem very small for districts of such extent, and I would, therefore, recommend that accommodation should be provided at once for about 60; sufficient ground being secured to admit of such subsequent extension as may be found necessary.

5. With reference to the reply of the Magistrate of Tinnevely, I would observe that the arrangement proposed is, in my opinion, a very undesirable one. The treatment of insane patients would be far more efficiently carried out in the Central Asylum about to be provided by Government, with an efficient staff and proper attendants, than it can possibly be in a mere *annexe* to a Civil Dispensary, and the immediate proximity of lunatic wards to a Hospital for ordinary diseases is objectionable in the interests of the latter institution.

6. In communication with the Superintendent of the Asylum at the Presidency, it has been ascertained that the proportion of male to female native patients during the last five years has been as nearly as possible five to one, and I would recommend that accommodation should be provided in this proportion at Trichinopoly.

that accommodation should be provided.

No. 315. ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1863, No. 331.
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No. 315. ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1868, No. 331.
The Governor in Council concurs with the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, in considering that the Returns made from the Tinnevely, Madurai, Tanjore, and Trichinopoly Districts do not give certain data upon which to decide finally as to the number of lunatics who will require accommodation at the Central Lunatic Asylum which it is proposed to build at Trichinopoly, and that it will be sufficient to provide in the first instance for the accommodation of sixty lunatics, in the proportion of five males to one female lunatic, sufficient ground being secured to admit of additional accommodation being provided should such be necessary.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
27th February 1868.*

2. The Governor in Council entirely agrees with Dr. Mackenzie in his opinion that it will not be desirable to have a small Lunatic Asylum at Palamcottah as an adjunct to the Dispensary of that station, and that the treatment of the insane will be far more efficiently carried out at a Central Asylum, with a sufficient staff and proper attendants.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

*To the Inspector General, Medical Department.
" Public Works Department.*

Ed. J. H. Burns.

Judicial Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

*Read the following letter from the
Inspector General Indian Med.
Department.*

Here enter 17th February 1868 N/3.

Order 27th February 1868 N-331.

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In the Hospital, Mad. Asylum
Public Health Department.

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No. 43

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,
Fort Saint George, 17th February, 1868.

From

The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government, Medical Dept.

Fort St. George.

Sir,

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1867-Indian Dept. Government, marginally noted, I have the honor
to submit for the information of Government
the result of my communication with the
Magistrates of Trichinopoly, Tanjore, Madurai
and Tirunelveli, as to the number of lunatics
in their respective districts, for whom accom-
modation should be provided in the Asylum
to be built at Trichinopoly.

2. The Magistrate of Trichinopoly is of
opinion that provision should be made
for 15 lunatics; and the Magistrates of Tanjore
and Madurai require accommodation for
35 and 5 respectively. None of them specify
the proportion in the sexes.

3. The Magistrate of Tirunelveli reports
that no accommodation will be wanted for
lunatics of this district in the proposed
Asylum at Trichinopoly, - as the Com-
mittee of management of the Lunatic Asylum,
or Civil Hospital of Tirunelveli, propose
building a Lunatic Asylum in the compound
to

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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 24th Feb 1868.

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to accommodate 10 male and 6 female patients."

4. The numbers above mentioned seem very small for Districts of such extent, and I would therefore recommend that accommodation should be provided at once for about 100; - sufficient ground being secured to admit of such subsequent extension as may be found necessary.

5. With reference to the reply of the Magistrate of Trinacolly, I would observe that the arrangement proposed is, in my opinion, a very undesirable one. The treatment of insane patients would be far more efficiently carried out in the central asylum about to be provided by Government - with an efficient staff, and proper attendants - than it can possibly be in a mere 'annexe' to a Civil Dispensary; - and the immediate proximity of lunatic wards to a Hospital for ordinary diseases is objectionable in the interests of the latter institution.

6. In communication with the Superintendent of the Asylum at the Presidency, it has been ascertained that the proportion of male to female patients during the last 5 years has been as nearly as possible 5 to 1 - and I would recommend that accommodation should be provided in this proportion at Trichinopoly.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
W. Macneil

