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From *M. G. King*
SURGEON LIEUT.-COL. J. A. LAING, M.B.
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras,
Secy (Genl Sanitary Dept)
Sanitary Board.
To THE *Chief Secretary*
to Government

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Subject.

Forwarding with his
remarks Festival
Report on Mahasivaratri
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TH APRIL 1895, No. L., LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—
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District.	Name of reporter.	Name of festival and where held.	Date of festival.	Number assembled.	Accommodation and sanitary arrangements made.	Water-supply.	Conservancy.	Epidemics.	General health.	Recommendations.
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Nazada
1st March 1895.

(Signed) P. VENCATRAMIAH,
Civil Apothecary in medical charge.

No. 2014.

Forwarded to the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, for his information.

6th March 1895.

(Signed) D. ANANTHAYA,
Deputy Collector.

No. 646-S.

Forwarded to Government.

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FORT ST. GEORGE,
21st March 1895.

(Signed) W. G. KING, Surgn.-Lt.-Col.,
Ag. Sanitary Commissioner; Secretary, Genl.
Sanitation Dept., Sany. Bd.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department.

ORDER—dated 24th April 1895, No. 77 L., Local and Municipal.

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(True Extract.)

for Chief Secretary.

To the President, Taluk Board, Bezvada,
through the President, District Board, Kistna.
" Collector of Kistna.
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Editors' Table.

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Office

Before sending to press please look up the correct spelling of Balusi. I haven't the B.P. or spelling of names here but that is the way I find it spelt in an old G.O.
How did the misprint as to the name of the endorsing officer arise?

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1) This place does not appear in the lists comm. dated with 4th 5th April 193 No 777 L.

When the Census tables it is shown as Balusi.

(a) Apparently owing to the indistinct signature of the Assistant Surgeon, S. Lakshminarayana Perumal, who has signed for the District Medical and Sanitary Officer, but in all such cases it is usual to print the name of the officer himself and not of the one who signs.

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