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[Despatch Abstract.]

Dispensary Committees

Transferring to the Presh. Dt Bd Tanjore for disposal the articles in the "Janamkalan" relating to the working of the —.

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Local & Munl. (1896) Department.

CURRENT No. 31962

I can't see why I am troubled about this rubbish- It should have been evident that the papers should be transferred to the Pres. D. Board for disposal - If an officer of that position is not capable of disposing of Municipal matters, of what use is he?

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The articles relating to ~~the conduct of a member of the Kovvadi Union Panchayat and~~ the working members of the dispensary committees, ~~alluded~~ to in para 2 of the Proceedings read above, will be referred to the President, District Board, Tanjore, for remarks. disposal.

V.R 30/11/96 H.O.

That portion of the anonymous article which relates to the alleged conduct of a Union Member should be referred. The law gives ample means of redress: a person aggrieved may also apply to the T. Bd. Presdt, the Dept. Bd Presdt or the Collector

The President, District Board, Tanjore. with two enclosures.

Dated 17th November 1896.

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The reference of the general remarks about dispensary committees may be made?

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V.R. 30/11/96

SUBJECT.

Transferring with remarks to the Judl. and Local and Munl. Depts. letter from the Editor of the "Jananukoolan" Tirupati, Tanjore, drawing attention to certain articles published in that journal.

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Cus 7726 Rev.

From the "Tananukulan" of the 17th October 1896.

"Complaint against a Union

Sir

is not known what further steps
the Pattabiar has taken in
the matter.

It is also understood that the Union
Magistrate Swaminadha Aiyar who was in
the habit of reporting all cases of
encroachment on the Union Streets has
been silent on the encroachment. If
this is true the conduct of the Magistrate
is very suspicious and has struck with
regret the higher authorities to take
strong notice of it. We further
hear that M.R. Krishnaswami the
Union member of the ward has
made certain of the encroachments
in this diary but has not taken
pains to have the portions encroached
upon measured with the help of the
Karnam of the Union Magistrate
entered in the diary. If Magistrate
a fact the member in question should
be called upon to submit an ex-
planation of his conduct and should
be warned by the authorities con-
cerned. It is also understood that
the Union Chairman (C.R. Ramaswami Naicker measured the street
(Horadu) in question, found that the
encroacher upon was 36 ft. long, wrote down
Pampoo the Boards about it and ob-
tained its sanction to have it (Horadu)
removed. We do not know
how the Chairman

obtained such a result from
his measurement. We only know
this much, that after deduc-
ducting the village's breadth of 17½ ft
the footpath on the footpath that
remains will only be prominent.
anything were to be erected on that
portion there is no doubt that such
a building will block the passage
of the car. It is therefore but
just that the encroachment
of the street, the dues (sale) of the house
does, and the encroachments accruing
thereon be ascertained, that the circum-
ference of the car should be
and that the portion the owner
is entitled to settles
Collector
himself believe that our
the line agrees accordingly
[illegible] if necessary
measurement. The Union
remains that
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

matter that is not enough
[illegible] Court
[illegible] Court
[illegible] in the Court of Sessions
offence, it is an
offence on the part of the Union
Member in question in having en-
-croached on the land, in not
having reported the matter to the
higher authorities when he is
bound to do so and in contriving
malafide that the Korada in ques-
-tion is his own.

(3) That it is laid down that any
one who causes inconvenience to
the public is guilty of a crime
according to law the Union member
in question is guilty of the offence of
encroaching upon a public road
and causing inconvenience to people.
For the Govt has established pro-
-perty roads to the Union Panchayat
-dars including the petitioner mem-ber
in question respecting that the property
would be guarded against encroachers.
Furnishes a settiyar is therefore
guilty of criminal misappropri-
-ation of property entrusted to
his care.

Further this same Union Mem-
ber has on many previous
occasions

occasions been charged by the
Police with encroachment and
has been fined by the Magistrate.
These things considered it would
appear that the Settiyar has an
idea that he can defy the law
with impunity simply because he
is a Union member. Public opi-
-nion is therefore averse to his
being still retained in that res-
-ponsible office.

The following is a circular is-
-sued by the Collr of Tanjore
directing that village officers should
take steps to bring fines incurred and
bring to the notice of higher authori-
-ties any encroachments on
public roads.

" " "

Though the circular was is-
-sued in 1858 it appears to be
free from ambiguity and to be still in force for
the fact of its having been republish-
-ed last year in an issue of
the District Gazette of the patta
Mirasidar Karnam & other of
Inivadi have not obeyed the
above rulings of this circular in
connection with the encroachment
under consideration, we hope
that our Collector will not let this
at

off unpunished for negligence
In all these things concerning the
good of the public also I wish to
request Mr Bidwell one may kindly
not to overlook them but to take an
active & effective inspection
regarding the matter in person and remedy the evil.

"Salus Populi Suprema Lex"
One who has the public
good at heart."

From the News column of
the same

"Office at nights in Trivandrum"

Some time back all Offices were strictly
directed the discontinuance of the prac-
tice on the part of their servants
of working in office at nights and also
stating that lights should be
carefully handled and the use of such
articles should be sparing. It does
not appear that this order is not
applicable to the Sub Magistrate's
Court of this place. Although much has
also been said about this in the
papers one Sub Magistrate continues to
keep his court long in the nights.
The difficulties therefrom which people
are subjected to in procuring their
supper and in repairing to their
homes in the dark are numerous.
There is no remedy for this unless
the higher authorities take notice
the fact at least now

S.M."

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Local & Municipal

Judicial

From the News Column of the same

Staff in all Govt treasury.

A correspondent from Nedumangad
writes:-

"On the 11th & 12th the
balance in hand of the Deputy
Tahsildar's office at this place was
as usual deposited in a wooden
box which was locked and sealed
and entrusted to the charge of the
Police of the place. On the 5th
Circle Inspector was sent for and
on being asked to take charge of
this box which contained the
above amount the Deputy Collector
Deputy Collector having been absent
aware of this, had come home
on the 13th and is holding an en-
quiry. The Police Station where
the box was kept is well guarded
by Police Constables are keeping
guard night & day with drawn
swords. It is all known who
committed this daring theft."

S.P.

From the issue of the same
8th October 1895 (Editorial)

"The Hospital Committee

"Dispensary committee" consist-
ing of not less than 5 members
have been formed to superintend
the hospitals in Vellam, Neyadi-
Dinkattuppalli

Vaikattuppalli, Nigampettai and Gandaravakottai in the Tanjore Taluk.

Paragraph 29 of the Administration Report for 1893-96 of the Tanjore District Board says that "the working of these Committees was on the whole satisfactory". No details are however given to show that the public have benefited by the working of these committees. We consider whether the existence of these Committees is a necessity is doubtful that it is not very necessary and that sometimes they obstruct the ordinary course of Civil Courts in this respect. The Committees are composed of petty Merchants and Shop keepers ignorant of the English language and some vakils and school masters. In each case the power of supervision of the Civil Courts and of Engineering Officers over Civil suits or any complaints thereof is capable against them. The evils of this right on this are these:-

(1) We shall suppose that a Vakil who is a member of the Committee has a client who has received slight injuries (inflicted by that Vakil) and that the client is removed to the hospital. The vakil has

his practice large fees and naturally wants to strengthen his case. He wants the presence of the client who is under the supervision of the Committee to give evidence in his favour. The client receives slight injuries and is removed to the hospital. The Committee consists of petty merchants and shop keepers who are under the influence of the Vakil. The Vakil requests the Committee to give a certificate in addition to the medical certificate in favour of his client. The Committee man does not like to refuse the request of the Vakil for fear of losing his practice. He therefore gives a certificate in favour of the client. The Vakil then argues in a case where a client of his who is a member of the Committee and obtained a certificate from the Committee man

his own value & prevalent medical opinion and the wishes & decisions of the dressers who have not enjoyed sufficient education in surgery & have rarely had opportunities of hearing charges against their brethren & consequently have little knowledge of the complaints against them & the merits of their members.

(6) It is understood that the Union Chairman & the Chairman of the Dispensary Committee of the dressers who are bound to report to the Inspectors in the Sanitary Condition & Cleanliness does not in any way interfere with the duties of the Chairman of the Committee & that the Chairman of the Committee shall be entitled to vote as an individual.

(7) The members of the Committee are further authorized to select and pass salary bills, contingent bills

bills &c and if they take it into their head to be careless or neglect for this purpose simply because their office is honorary, or leave their meeting for the purpose of playing for went of a dispensary for went of a quorum, the poor sick servant of the hospital will have to wait for their salaries at the expense of their families.

(8) It is also clear that the Committee has been authorized to take stock of medicines & what is the use of entrusting this duty to persons who are ignorant of the very names of medicines & do not even know that the surgeon is the Committee members can be taught to be more skilful & experienced than the surgeon is evident.

Under the circumstances the Dispensary Committee so far as the Sanitary Salute is concerned will be serviceable only in the way of creating misunderstandings between the dressers and members for trivial reasons, infusing

infusing a spirit of selfishness in the efficient working of the hospitals and a spirit of dissatisfaction and disgust in the public mens and [illegible] feeling [illegible] of the Medical Officer [illegible] these matters. [illegible] to be conducted over [illegible] Surgeon. The Local Board of 15 members and the District Board of 20 members. In addition to these he is [illegible] a body composed of his friends and sometimes of his enemies in certain respects it [illegible] a disregard not only of the medical man himself but also of the staff to which he belongs. It is therefore expedient to abolish the Committee in question. In support of this opinion we publish below a letter which has already appeared in the columns of a well known English paper in Madras:-

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(Here translation)

Chenkalapuddaya.

12-11-96.

Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

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Read Endorsement of the Financial Department, dated 20th October 1896, No. 2178 transferring to the Revenue Department, letters from the Editor of the "Jana-rukoolan" Tiruvadi, Tanjore, dated 17th October 1896, Nos. 91 and 94, drawing attention to the articles [illegible] issue of the "Janana-kolan" of the 17th October 1896.

Order thereon No. 2179 R.d/17th November 1896.

The attention of the Collector of Tanjore will be invited to the notice in the Janarnukolan of the 17th ultimo as to the alleged theft in the Vedaranyam Treasury.

2. The complaint against the Sub-Magistrate of Tiruvidaimarudur holding his court till late in the night will be considered in the Judicial Department, and while the articles relating to the conduct of a Member of the Tiruvadi Union and the Dispensary Committees generally will be considered in the Local and Municipal Department.

3. The Editor of the Janarnukolan in forwarding the issue of the 26th September last, advises us that letter No. 91 dated 17th October 1896 has not been received.

(True Extract)

G. Cotton

Ag: Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Tanjore.

To the Judicial Department.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

To the Editor of the Janarnukolan.

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