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OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER

Fort St. George, 19th Feb 1896

From

SURGEON LIEUT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,

SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE
Chief Secretary to Government
Local & Municipal Deptt.

Enclosure.

SIR,

With reference to G.O. No 223 In, 7ms, dated 7th February 1896, I have the honor to state that I lately had occasion to pass through Cuddalore, and took the opportunity of visiting the head works. I found the sanitary condition of the locality in a decidedly worse state than when I last inspected it. I strongly dissent from the assertion of the Chairman that no steps are requisite.

2. Notwithstanding my representations on this simple and self evident subject, no latrine has been provided for the water works staff residing on the spot up to date of my visit. In consequence, they defecate wherever they can obtain shelter. During rainfall, the outflow from the filter beds

beds is level with the water in the river, and, consequently, its ill-conserved banks are a positive danger.

3. Notwithstanding my advice, the Chuttrum which at date of my last visit was but begun has been completed, and another is about to be erected. There is therefore afforded direct encouragement to the habitation of human beings close to the head-works. On the 25th January 1896 when I inspected the site, the place had lately been resorted to by pilgrims, and was strewn with the usual leaf plates and patches of faecal matter commonly found under such circumstances.

4. That the water supply of the town is in absolute danger of pollution under the above circumstances may be judged by the fact that, on the outside surface of the bank of the filter bed, I found a human faecal deposit. It takes no great knowledge of native habits to surmise with safety that the water on the filter bed was used for ab-
lution in this instance. I

would

would only add that the entrance of a single cholera or typhoid stool into the public water supply may sow death broadcast in Gaddap as has been proved over and over again under analagous circumstances elsewhere.

5. With regard to the Chairman's statement that he would wish to consult me when next I visit the town, I would point out that had he given me intimation of this desire anywhere between the 22nd Sept 1894 and 25th January 1896, I should have been most happy to have placed myself at his disposal. Not, however, during the whole of this period did he make any sign that the important question of conserving these works had been considered; I therefore naturally concluded, when, on making an informal inspection on the 25th January 1896 with the object of ascertaining whether anything had been done, I found matters in a worse state than in August 1894, that any verbal representations to the Municipal Chairman on the subject would receive

[Copy of
despatch of my
letter to the
Municipality,
Gaddap]

receive no more attention than my
written advice has done. It is a
remarkable coincidence that the
attention of the Chairman to this
matter has been aroused after
so great a lapse of time as
shown by his letter of the 29th
January 1896, whilst my inspection
preceded this date by just four
days.

6. The proposals made by me
in my Inspection Notes embodied
in G.O. No 182 in dated 7th February
1895 seem sufficiently explicit,
and I advise the Council he desires
to act thereon within a definite
date. Any doubts entertained by
the Council can, I assume, be suf-
ficiently well dealt with by
direct correspondence, without
waiting till I next visit —
Cuddapah as proposed by the
Chairman.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedt Servant

W. H. Murray

Surge. Lieut Col,

Saint Commissioner

Local & Municipal Dept.
 CURRENT No. 635 M
 Local & Municipal DEPARTMENT.

223 h. 7-2-96
 1387 h. 24-9-95
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From
 SURN.-LT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.
 SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

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To
 THE Chief Secretary
 to Government
 Local & Municipal
 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
 No. 347
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Dated 19th
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 Municipal Council, Cuddalore,
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 in the matter and the result
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ENCLOSURES.

Subject.

Submitting remarks with refer-
 ence to G.O. No. 223 h. 7-2-96 re the Sanitary Condition
 of the Side of water works at
 Bugga.

To
 The Chairman, M.C., Cuddalore
 " Sanitary Commissioner
 Dupt. 12/5/96

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