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Water supply

Recording letter from the Sanitary Engineer reporting the arrangements made to provide for early supply of water to the town of Adoni, &c

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

OFFICE OF SANITARY ENGINEER,

Fort St. George, 14th May 1897.

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.

CURRENT No. 1950. M

From

J. A. JONES, Esq., MEM. INST. C.E., F.R.S.E.,

SANITARY ENGINEER TO GOVERNMENT,

To

The Secretary to Government,

Local and Municipal Department.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that with reference to G.O.No. 967.M.Mis. dated 24th. April 1897 I visited Adoni on the 4th. and 5th. Instant.

2. Under a resolution of the Council it had been agreed that the tank should be emptied and the bed cleaned; in order to provide for an early supply of water to the town, I arranged with the Chairman that a portion of the famine labor to be employed in cleaning the tank bed of silt should be utilized in digging three wells in the bed of the tank (above the silt area)- One well was in progress at the time of my visit and there appeared to be a fair yield of water. It is possible that the three wells will yield a supply sufficient for drinking purposes at any rate & by arrangements proposed it is possible that the water can be let into the town through the existing water Mains. The Chairman has promised to report progress from time to time and he expected to complete the three wells in a week but I have not yet heard from him.

3. The Council has on two or three occasions taken exception to my remarks as to carelessness in filtration. I regret that I used the word " carelessness" but I did so in order to express my opinion of the action of the Council in as moderate a manner as possible.

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4.

The action of the Council I referred to was the transfer of the overseer in charge of the filtration for two months- and leaving it in charge of a cooly or coolies - this might be characterised as more than carelessness- but the fact is that few Councils or persons who had not had some training & gained a true appreciation of the care which is required to get water properly filtered would be likely to consider that filtering could not be done by any person who could turn a valve. But the custom at most water works is not only is a trained Engineer in charge of filters but a chemist also, if regularity is to be ensured. There is, however, no doubt in my mind that if the overseer had been, as he ought to have been, at the filters, better results would have been secured.

5.

I am at a loss to understand how the Council can substantiate the following statement:-

"The Assistant Engineer was here for three days in January and personally supervised the filtration with really no good results".

6.

Para 6. of the inspection notes shews that good results did follow and to prove that the Assistant Engineer in his notes stated what was a fact, I have merely to quote the following report sent me by the Chairman on the 26th. January which shews that good results did follow; but it was not to be expected, and the Assistant Engineer explained this, that a filter neglected for two months was likely to get into thorough working order in one or two days:-

Letter No.5. dated 26th. January 1897 from the Municipal Overseer, Adoni, to the Assistant Sanitary Engineer to Government through the Chairman, Municipal Council, Adoni.

"I beg to report the filtered water is gradually improving by the systematic way of regulating the Telescopic valves, the colour of the filtered water is more brightened than when you were here."

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to Government for information.

(Sd) S. Ramu Iyer
Chairman
26-1-97 "

7.

The present Chairman was surprised to learn that the Overseer had never been near the filter beds for two months (when the Overseer was on famine duty) and I found on my visit moreover that the overseer even at that date had not fully understood the very full instructions issued.

8.

The above statement of facts may not justify my use of the word "carelessness", but I used it in place of a harsher term which might have been more appropriate and I trust that the Council will now be impressed with the necessity for the greatest care in regulating the flow of water through the filters and of seeing that the officer in charge of that duty is never sent away to other work even for a day - his presence at the filter from hour to hour is absolutely necessary if successful filtration is to be secured.

9.

To aid in securing a successful result I have arranged with the Chairman to put up additional guages so that a glance at them will shew the levels and heads on the filters from time to time.

10.

I was unable to see filtration in progress as the tank was empty but will visit Adoni again when filtration is going on.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

Sanitary Engineer to Government.

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