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(True Extract.)

G. S. FORBES,
Secretary to Government.

To the Surgeon-General.

Exd. A. Raitt.

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To the Surgeon-General.

Exd. A. Raitt.

ocal & Munl. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 931/M

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT * LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT * 4 MAR 1897

From

Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthor

F.R.C.P.I.,

Surgeon-General with the Govt.

of Madras.

No. 102

Dated 2nd March 1897.

Received 4-3-1897

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SUBJECT.

Submitting his remarks on the orders of Government passed in connection with his recommendations regarding construction of huts at Guntakal for accommodating the Medical staff Etc

For Orders H.M.

This may be recorded.

8/3/97

G.O. with the remark that it was quite out of place to make proposals for buildings which w^d^ take several months to carry out when it was apparent that the buildings might be required for use that very day

9/3/97

I should be glad if the Hon. Mr. Bliss would consent to the modification of the above remark. Would it not be enough to remark that the objections to the Sur. Genl's proposed buildings were that they were too costly and that they would take too long to construct, — in order to meet a possibly immediate emergency?

P.T.O

I don't think we ought to shrink, if the S.G. was competent

I fear we shall have to spend a good deal more than Rs. 500 on this.

A.S.H.

Hon. Mr. Bliss

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P.S.
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H.E., to see before issue

Order No. 559 M. 16-3-97

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(Fair orders)

V.R.
9/3/97

SJK
10/3/97

the G.O. may take, it should in my opinion convey the inference that the S.G. is wanting in common sense. I fear H.E.'s remarks would hardly do so. The truth is that the S.G. is absolutely incompetent & the sooner that he is made to understand this & that he must take more pains with his work the better. As things are, not a single thing that comes from his office can be trusted

BL
12/3/97

To
The Surgeon General
Despd on 16/3/97

H.M.

Would H.M. approve the modification as shown in pencil above. The word 'patent' may sufficiently connote the want of common sense intended to be impressed upon the S.G. SJK 12/3/97

Yes
BL
12/3/97

To H.E. the Governor
SJK 13/3/97

Transmit the draft in pencil. A.S.H.
15.3.97

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No. 102

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
Madras, the 2nd March 189~~6~~7

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
931 M

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,
SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

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,, Sanitary Engineer
and ,, Consulting Architect to Government - who

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Surgeon-Major-General,
Surgeon-General with the Government
of Madras.

Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1094M

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT * LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT *
11-MAR-1897

From
Surgeon-Major-Genl. C. Sibthorpe,
F.R.C.P.I.,
Surgeon-General with the Govt.
of Madras.

Order

No. 125

Dated 9th March 1897.
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SUBJECT.

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But neither Dr Macrae nor the Colr nor the D.E. has ever told us that the S.C. condemned the site because he found it in close proximity to an inhabited hamlet. Dr King told me this when I saw him yesterday
11/3

(True copy)

D. Simpson M.B.,

Surgeon-Captain,

Secretary to the Surgeon-General
with the Government of Madras.

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To

The Surgn Genl. & Depy in No

(Sd) G.S.F.

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