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4. *Proposals to protect the Town by a dam.*—Certain parts of the town are liable to flood and, whilst it is no doubt undesirable to prevent free perflation by erection of such a bund as would be necessary, it would certainly be of great utility to prevent the insanitary condition and inconvenience arising from floods. The result of such a bund would be the cutting off of surface waters collected inside, but doubtless engineering skill would prevent trouble on this score. For this purpose, it is the intention of the municipality to raise a loan from Government. Now, seeing that the great object of such a loan is the improvement of the town, it seems to me that the money would in great part be wasted unless it were shown also that the parts of the town benefited were in such a sanitary state of progress as to justify the hope that the exclusion of flood waters would appreciably add to sanitary condition. I therefore, at a special meeting, urged the council to cause an estimate to be made for improving the town in and around Vada Vidhi. From the Post-office street towards this point is the part where most of those dealing with commerce reside. It is also near the chief ghât where boats land their cargoes. To completely reform this locality would therefore not only prove of sanitary, but commercial, advantage, in that traffic in the present narrow streets is conducted with the greatest difficulty. It is, of course, impossible to say what the sum actually required would amount to until a proper estimate is made; but it may safely be assumed that a very large proportion of the total sum expended on improvements will be recoverable by sale of house and godown sites. The locality mentioned is unfit for human habitations in its present overcrowded and undrained condition, and therefore might reasonably be dealt with under section 187. I therefore advise the council in approaching Government for a loan to ask for sufficient to undertake this work also.

The council already requested Government for a loan for the construction of the bund. As suggested by the Sanitary Commissioner, Government will be approached for a further loan sufficient to carry out the proposals.

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Near the Post-office street certain of the inhabitants brought to my notice that the roads had been so heightened as to prevent egress of water from their houses. Although their complaints were much exaggerated, there is truth in their allegations. The alterations to the roads required would be trivial, and these will doubtless receive attention from the council.	Attended to.
5. *Sewage Removal.*—This is conducted by sewage carts. There can be no objection to this expensive method, provided the householders served pay for the facility afforded by the municipality, but this should be a *sine qua non*, as it costs just as much to transport sewage as fresh water. The Chairman has promised me that he will have a sewage farm started before the end of December and, as there seems no reason why it should not be completed even before this, I trust I shall have the pleasure of recording that efforts have really been made, and have succeeded, in this direction.	A sewage farm has been started, and vegetables grown on the soil so cultivated are being sold in the market.
6. *Graveyards.*—No improvement has been effected. Granting, as observed by the council on this subject (G.O., No. 1149 M., dated 8th July 1896), that no other place is available than the Godávari bank below the town, it still ought to be possible to secure a place out of flood mark. In the case of burials and burnings above the town, I consider the practice should be put a stop to without delay. I found that the last flood has scoured out the bank to such an extent that the margin of the river was strewn with skulls and other bones. Several cholera corpses had recently been buried here; yet people drew water that had passed over the graveyards. Practically no part of the town was affected by cholera during the recent epidemic except where the inhabitants depended on the Godávari.	The burial-places are beyond the municipal limits, and the Sub-Collector and President, Taluk Board, will be addressed on the subject.
7. *Vaccination.*—The following table exhibits the progress of infantile vaccination during the first half of the current year:—	

Total births during preceding six months, i.e., from 1st July to 31st December 1895.	Number vaccinated.		Number vaccinated a second time because first operation proved unsuccessful.		Postponed under medical certificate at the end of six months.	Died.	Left the town.	Unaccounted for.	Ratio of successful vaccination to total births per cent.
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8. *Registration.*—Attention has not been paid yet by the municipality to G.O., No. 313 M., dated 22nd February 1896. Registration is inefficiently conducted, as shown by the following figures :—

Years.	Birth-rate per mille of the estimated population.	Death-rate per mille of the estimated population.	Percentage of deaths from						Ratio of deaths of infants under one year of age per mille to registered births in the preceding year.
			Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fevers.	Dysentery and Diarrhœa.	Injuries.	All other causes.	
1893 ..	30·0	29·0	2·1	0·1	26·7	13·3	2·0	48·8	140·2
1894 ..	23·4	28·0	3·0	0·7	26·8	16·2	3·0	50·3	181·3
1895 ..	32·5	30·3	..	2·7	29·9	15·8	2·3	49·3	231·8
1896 up to date.	31·7	31·3	5·9	0·3	31·3	11·5	5·0	46·0	234·6

Instead of trusting to peons, as at present, the town should be divided into two circles which should be in charge of two registrars, one of whom might be in charge at the head office. No prosecutions were effected during 1895, although a list of twenty defaulters was placed before the council.

9. *Sanitary Administration.*—In my inspection notes above alluded to, I have already advised that Listerpettah should be included in municipal limits. Since my visit, a very considerable mass of buildings has sprung up near the railway station. It is desirable, with reference to control of imported infectious disease, that the railway station, as well as the surrounding buildings, should be within municipal limits.

The certificated sanitary inspector having recently resigned, I understand an untrained man has been appointed. This is a retrograde movement. I advise that a certificated sanitary inspector be employed.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
12th November 1896.

(Signed) W. G. KING, Surgn.-Lieut.-Col.,
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

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This will be done. Provision was made in the budget for the entertainment of an additional registrar.

The proposal is now before Government.

This proposal is under the consideration of the council, and Government will be addressed on the subject in due course.

The sanitary inspector that resigned was not a certificated man. The person that was appointed in his place was sanitary inspector of this place for a long time and did good work in the last Pushkaram. Before he was confirmed, the Sanitary Commissioner was consulted and he agreed to the appointment and promised to make arrangements for his training, and he is now under training at Madras.

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2. With reference to para. 2 of the inspection notes and the Chairman's remarks thereon, the Govt. commend to the Council the Sanitary proposal to reduce the number of sweepers and make a corresponding increase in the number of tollies: the former number being fixed for the present at 32.

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3. The Council should at once select suitable sites for burial and burning grounds in consultation with the District medical and Sanitary officer and report the result to Government. With reference to the Chairman's remarks on this subject, the attention of the Council is drawn to section 234 (2) of the District municipalities Act, under which all burial and burning grounds provided by it beyond municipal limits are under its control.

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