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[Despatch Abstract.]

Caste Hospitals. ✓

Recording the Plague Commissioner's recommendation that there should be central committee in Madras for —, & that two large hospitals one in the North of Madras & the other in the south should be built, and requesting sanction for purchasing a type-writer.

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Note:- No further action appears to be necessary on the Plague Commissioner's note.

SUBJECT.

Stating that Dr. King's idea is that there should be central Committee in Madras for caste hospitals and two large hospitals should be built one in the North of Madras and one in the South and requesting sanction for the purchase of type writer.

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Plague Commissioner's Office,
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Note for Government.

Sunday 9th October 1898

Doctor King met me at my rooms & we had considerable talk about plague matters. Dr. King's idea is that there should be a central committee in Madras for caste hospital & two large hospitals should be built one in the North of Madras and one in the South. He points out that the proposed system of scattered small hospitals will be exceedingly expensive and really impossible to run for any length of time. Colonel Moore on the other hand is much opposed to the idea of central committee thinking that such committee will only lead to waste of time. It also seems clear that the present separate divisional committees are really not anxious to join to carry out any central system of hospitals and as it seems to me that the important thing, at first, at all events is to have scattered hospitals with few beds in each ready for occupation. I am inclined to agree with Sir George Moore. The real difficulty of the whole business is of course want of cash. For I do not think that a central committee will be able to raise as much money as the local Committees which carry considerable interest in different divisions. I am therefore urging the separate committees to carry out their proposals to the utmost of their capabilities without delay. I met Sir George Moore this morning at the Royapetta hospital and we saw

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I quite agree with the P.C. & Col. Moore.
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Rajarathnam with whom I have spoken agrees with this view & does not think that Dr. King's idea would be popular.

No. Moreover the local Committees are in touch with their people in a way a central Committee can never be. It is of the utmost importance to maintain & develope this intercommunication.
A.C.

the house opposite the Royapetta hospital which the Committee of which Mr. Norton & Lekshmana Chari are Secretaries have taken up. This Committee is providing for the 6th & 7th divisions. This house that we saw opposite the Royapetta hospital has already been seen and approved subject to some alteration by Dr. King, & Col. Moore is insisting it shall be got ready at once for a few patients. This Committee has also marked down a site near the Ice House close to the existing Municipal depot, where sheds can be erected if necessary, but for immediate purposes it will be sufficient if the Royapetta house is equipped and I hope this will be done in the next day or two. For the 8th division the Committee of which Desiga Chari & P. Subha Aiyar are leading members are taking up a house called "Palms" in the Cathedral Road, and the land which runs from that house down to the Barbar bridge. Col. Moore & I visited the place this morning and he tells me that that Committee is ready to equip that hospital at once. I hope that it will be done within next day or two. On Thursday last I visited with Sir George Moore site between the Cemetery Road & the Madras Railway ~~Co.~~ in No.1. division and another site at Tiruvattiyur High Road No.103. Thiyagaraja Chetti met us there & he promised that as soon as he knew other equipments for 5 bed hospitals he would at once provide hospitals at these two places under the committee which is working in that division. I have supplied Col. Moore with printed copies of Dr. King's statement & the requirements of hospitals of 5 beds, so that all the committees know what is wanted. I hope, therefore, that in a few days, things will have progressed as regards private hospitals. I visited this morning, also the Isolation Hospital in Krishnampet. I am sorry to find that no actual steps have been taken yet towards the providing of the Gosha sheds there as Col. King & I had ordered when we last visited the place. The plans & estimates are, I believe, ready, but the contractor has difficulties in getting the material. The overseer at the hospital has promised that he will do all he can in the next few days to get the work done. On Saturday I was unable to do any out-door work as I had been inoculated the day before. I am sorry to say that today the Collector of Trichinopoly telegraphs of a suspicious case probably plague in Trichinopoly. I have wired for full details and will go there if necessary. There have been complaints that the supervision at Jalarpet is not sufficiently close and there are ugly rumours that the lower Plague staff there are in the habit of taking bribes & allowing people to avoid detention. I have brought the matter to Mr. Clegg's attention & asked him especially to visit Jalarpet & look into it. The Railway authorities are complaining that the Plague Staff at Jalarpet is still living inside the Railway limits. I have asked Mr. Clegg to see to this at once and also to insist on the Railway building the shed at Jalarpet which the Doctor wants there. What is wanted there is the same kind of shed as that exists at Arkonam, and I hope the Collector will insist on its being built.

I fear that there is a lot of blackmailing
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I will write also to the Railway direct about the matter.

I am in great difficulties from want of a Type-Writer as my clerk can only have the use of Type-Writers in the office when they are disengaged. These do not seem to be very efficient ones. There is a Type-Writer now to be got for Rs. 400 from Syam's Type-Writing Co. Madras. Will the Government permit me to purchase a Type-Writer at once? It will be great convenience. The Superintendent of Stationery states that he is out of them at present. Therefore we must buy one at least in the local market.

He must have one
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20.10.98.

Financial has been asked to
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Plague Commissioner.

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