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MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 1812 M. M.

DATED 25-10-98

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Hospital.

Communicating to the Municipal
Commissioners of Madras with remark
letter from the Surgeon Genl. recommending
the necessity for a contagious disease
— in Madras.

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Construction of infectious disease hospitals in Madras

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. dated 189 ,
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 Current No. *3152M* of 1898, dated *11th Oct. 1898*, from the *Surgeon General*.
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The letter from the Surgeon-General read above will be communicated to the Municipal Commissioners of Madras whose special attention is drawn to his remarks in para. 3.

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President, Municipal Comm.
Madras.
Surgeon General.
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CURRENT No. 3152

From

Surgeon-General C. Sibthorpe
C.B., J.R.C.P.D.

Surgeon-General with the
Govt of Madras

No. 399.

Dated 11th October

Received 13th October 1898.

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SUBJECT.

Recommending that the
necessity for a contagi-
ous hospital in Madras
be urged on the Madras
Municipality

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From

THE PRESIDENT,

Municipal Commission,
Madras.

G. No. 355

Dated 28 September 1898

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding an extract from the Proceedings of a General Meeting of the Commissioners held on 26 Sep 98, stating that it is beyond their means to erect a hospital for treatment of Contagious diseases.

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Extract referred No. II.

Resolution No.3 of the Commissioners at their General Meeting held on 29th August 1898, deferring consideration of the question of establishment of a hospital for the treatment of contagious diseases.

M.R.Ry.R.N. Pragasa Mudaliar avergal proposed and M.R.Ry. P. Subramania Iyer avergal seconded.

"That with reference to G.O.No.1393 M.Mis dated 8th August 1898 the commissioners who are fully alive to the want of a suitable hospital for the treatment of persons suffering from contagious diseases regret to observe, that the impecunious condition of Municipal Finances presents a formidable barrier to the establishment of such a hospital in the city out of Municipal Funds at least in the near future, that in the crippled state of their funds added to the unforeseen heavy expenditure on account of Plague precautions, the erection of such a hospital is beyond their means, that in their view the erection of a suitable ~~contagious~~ contagious disease hospital is more within the scope of imperial funds and that except the addition of a ^{few} more wards at the Monegar Choultry as they have done since the date of the Government order, or at Kristnampet when necessity may arise, they are not in a position to do more; the Commissioners further consider that as regards persons suffering from communicable diseases on vessels coming into the harbour, the Marine authorities should make adequate arrangements by providing a suitable place on the shore, and that in the case of Europeans and Eurasians in the city suffering from such diseases, nothing better ^{could} be suggested than to make provision for them at the General Hospital for the present ~~provision~~ at least as hitherto, until all fear of the plague vanishes, when the old Native Infirmary Hospital and Armoury Buildings on the improvement of which the Municipality is now spending a large sum of money, may be used for the purpose, relieving the General Hospital altogether."

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To this as amendment Mr. Wardly Norton proposed and M.R.Ry.
V. Varadappa Naidu Garu seconded.

"That in the view of their present financial embarrassments, of
the probable approach of plague, and of the necessity for conser-
ving all their energies and resources to cope with its arrival, -
the commissioners are of opinion that the question of founding a
contagious hospital must for the present be postponed sine die".

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The original proposition was then put to the meeting and
carried.

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Enclosure No. 3 to Letter No. 399 of 10/9/98
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MUNICIPALITY OF MADRAS,

General Department,

Madras, 28 September 1898.

From

R. E. Ellis, Esq, M. Inst. C.E.,

~~Lieut. Col. SIR GEORGE MOORE, Kt., C.I.E.,~~

Ag. President, Municipal Commission.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Local and Municipal Department,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

Through the Surgeon-General with the
Government of Madras.

Enclosure.
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With reference to G.O.No.1393 M.Mis., dated
8th August 1898, I have the honor to forward for infor-
mation of Government an extract from the Proceedings of
a General Meeting of the Commissioners held on 26th Sep-
tember 1898.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. E. Ellis.

Ag. President, Munl. Comm.

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OFFICE OF SURGEON-GE.

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras, 11 October 1898

From

SURGEON-GENERAL G. SIBTHORPE, C.B., F.R.C.P.I.,



THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local and Municipal DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I have the honor to transmit the accompanying reply of the Acting President, Municipal Commission, Madras, to G.O. No. 1393 M.Mis., Local and Municipal, dated 8th August 1898, from which it will be seen that the Commissioners plead impecuniosity and consider that the erection of the proposed Contagious Diseases Hospital falls more within the scope of Imperial Funds.

2. In my opinion the matter does not appear to have received that attention which the importance of the subject demanded. The Commissioners appear to me to have failed to realize their responsibility in providing the city with such an institution which is necessary to avoid the more important Hospitals at the Presidency being required to admit contagious cases into their wards for want of other suitable accommodation.

3. This question has been under consideration since 1869 as will be seen from the G.Os. quoted in the

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| K. | G.O. No. 294, Public, dated 21st February 1869. | : margin, and whatever reasons may have |
| L. | G.O. No. 720, Public, dated 31st May 1869. | : prompted Dr. Balfour to disagree |
| M. | G.O. No. 977, Public, dated 5th August 1870. | : with the able and sound scheme of his |
| | G.O. No. 1045, Public, dated 12th July 1871. | : predecessor, I consider that the require- |
| | | : -ments of the present times call for the |

early erection in Madras of at least one Isolation Hospital, especially as the accommodation now existing for the

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the treatment of contagious cases is most inadequate and practically nil for Europeans.

4. I need hardly point out that expenditure in this direction is conducive to the health of the population and certainly of a much more urgent and useful nature than providing the city with gas light.

5. Under these circumstances, I trust that Government will be pleased to impress one more on the Municipality the necessity for such a hospital with a view to the work being taken on hand as soon as the present pressure on Municipal finances is over.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. B. S. P.

Surgeon General,

Surgeon General

with the Govt. of Madras.

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