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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
26th March 1866.*

No. 597. Read the following letter from the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Presidency Division, to the Secretary to the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, dated Presidency Division, 28th February 1866, No. 866:—

I have the honor to forward special recommendations from the Surgeon in charge of the Madras Penitentiary, in all of which I fully concur.

From the Surgeon in Medical charge of the Penitentiary, to the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Presidency, dated Madras, 28th February 1866, No. 32.

1. Having pointed out to you at your recent annual inspection, and to the Officiating Inspector General on his visiting the Penitentiary with you yesterday, certain alterations which require to be made, I have now the honor to request, under instructions then received, that you will have the goodness to submit them through the proper channel for sanction and orders.

First.—The removal of a wall, dividing the Hospital compound into two equal portions, situated between the inner wall of the Jail which bounds the compound and the front of the Hospital on one side, and between the wall of the female ward and the back of the Hospital on the other. These walls are of no use whatever, and as they make the space immediately around the Hospital more confined and obstruct the circulation of air, they ought to be removed.

Secondly.—The drain immediately outside the entrance of the Hospital compound is a source of great nuisance at all times, and often is so bad that the effluvia from it taint the atmosphere around for some distance; and considering that the high outer wall of the Jail adjacent prevents the escape and renewal of this air readily, it is calculated to act most injuriously on the patients in Hospital and on the inmates of the Jailer's and Deputy Jailer's quarters, and especially becomes a source of danger in case of any epidemic outbreak.

Thirdly.—The quarters of the Deputy Jailer, situated on the ground floor, require to be improved. The floor is very low, scarcely an inch higher than the surrounding ground; it is made of brick and is very damp during the monsoon. The bed-room is far too small, being only 12X14, and is occupied by the Deputy Jailer and his wife and three children. It may be enlarged without much difficulty by bringing forward the front wall on a line with the wall of the other apartment, and if the floor were covered with asphaltic, similar to the floor of the lower wards of the Hospital, where asphaltic has been laid down with complete success in preventing damp, it would be preferable to raising the floor, as the rooms are already as low as need be.

Memorandum from the Inspector General of Hospitals, for Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Judicial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 1st March 1866, No. 83.

Forwarded for the favorable consideration of Government.

(Signed) J. SHAW,
*Inspector General of Hospitals,
For Principal Insp. Genl., Medl. Dept.*

Referred to the Public Works Department, with reference to paragraphs 9, 10, and 11 of the Proceedings of Government, Judicial Department, dated 13th September 1864, No. 1,357.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15th March 1866.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department.
26th March 1866.

No. 598.

ORDER THEREON, 26th March 1866, No. 934.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 72.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division, who will report when the Government may

expect to receive the plans and estimates which were called for in Proceedings No. 2,723, dated 19th September 1864.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
,, Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

From

Surgeon W. H. Harris, M.D.
In Medical Charge of the
The Deputy Inspector General
of Hospitals.
Residence.

To

Sir,

Having pointed out to you at your recent Annual Inspection and to the Officiating Inspector General on his visiting the Institution with you, yesterday, certain alterations which require to be made, I have now the honor to request, under instructions then received, that you will have the goodness to submit them, through the proper channel for sanction and orders.

First, the removal of a wall, dividing the Hospital Compound into two equal portions, situated between the inner wall of the Jail which bounds the compound and the front of the Hospital on one side, and between the walls of the Female ward and the back of the Hospital on the other. These walls are of no use whatever and as they make the space immediately around the Hospital more confined and obstruct the circulation of air, they ought to be removed.

Secdly.

Remedy. The drain immediately outside the entrance of the Hospital compound is a source of great nuisance at all times and often is so bad that the effluvia from it taint the atmosphere around for some distance; and considering that the high outer wall of the Jail adjacent prevents the escape and renewal of this air, readily, it is calculated to act most injuriously on the patients in Hospital and on the inmates of the Jailers and Deputy Jailers Quarters, and especially becomes a source of danger in case of any Epidemic outbreak.

Thirdly. The Quarters of the Deputy Jailers, situated on the ground floor require to be improved. The floor is very low, scarcely an inch higher than the surrounding ground; it is made of brick and is very damp during the monsoon; and the bed room is far too small - being only 12 x 14, and is occupied by the Deputy Jailers and his wife and 3 children. It may be enlarged without much difficulty by bringing forward the front wall on a line with the wall of the other apartment and if the floor were covered with

with Asphalte, similar to the floor of the lower wards of the Hospital, where Asphalte has been laid down with complete success in preventing damp, it would be preferable to raising the floor as the rooms are already as low as need be.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Yours most Obedient Servant

Mdms. J. W. Harris
28th February 1863. Surgeon in Chief & Practitioner

Office of Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals,
Presidency Division 28th February 1866

The Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals,
Presidency Division
The Secretary to the Principal Inspector General,
Medical Department
Fort Saint George

Sir, I have the honor to forward special
recommendations from the Surgeon in charge of the
Madras Prisoners, in all of which I fully concur.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

W. J. M. J. M.
Deputy Inspector General
of Hospitals

No 815

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From Surgeon W. J. M. J. M.
to the Deputy Inspector General
of Hospitals
Presidency

to the Deputy Inspector General
of Hospitals
Presidency

Order 180

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No 32

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Regarding all the
matters mentioned in
the above order
as to the Hospital
concerns and the
Prisoners Prisoners.

on 28th Feb 1866

Public Works Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT
Under date the 26th March 1866
Read the following

From the Chief Secretary
to Government
Judicial Dept.

(Here enter No. dated 15th March 1866.)

Communicated to the
Supg Engr of the 4th Div, who
will report when the Govt.
may expect to receive the
plans & estimates which were
called for in Pro: No 2728
d/19 Sept. 64.

[Signature]

6th Div. Engr & Div
11th Div. Engr & Div

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27th March

Forwarded for the
Honorable Commissioner
of Government.

[Signature]

Subject of the 16th
of 1866. Engr. of the 16th
of 1866.

To the Chief Secy to Govt.
Judicial Dept.

Received 15th March 1866
Pro: of Engr. of the 16th
of 1866.

Copy of the report of the
Commissioner of the 16th
Div. in charge of the
construction of the
canal, submitted in 1864
and 1865.

15th March

From the Secy of the
Govt. Engr. of the 16th
of 1866.

15th March 1865

Pro: No. 2728

in charge of the 16th
of 1866.

Referenced to the Public
Works Department, with
reference to the 9th of 1864
of the Proceedings of Govt.
in the Judicial Department.
in the 18th of 1864.

1864 No 1357.
To the Chief Secy to Govt.
15th March 1865
Chief Secretary

P. W. 1866. Department.

Proc. of Govt for March

No. 984

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

of Madras

28th March 1866

*Certain correspondence
relative to the alterations
proposed to be made
in the Penitentiary at
Madras, come to the
Supg Cys & Co. Sec.*

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