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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,*
*19th June* 1867.

No. 426. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department :—

Requesting the Inspector General, Medical Department to issue immediate orders to the Medical Officer in charge of the Dispensary at Obtacamund to place the old building at the disposal of the Executive Engineer as soon as the new building is ready for use. } Here enter 13th June 1867, No. 675.)

No. 427. ORDER THEREON, 19th June 1867, No. 1,837.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 55. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 129. Read the following letter from the Deputy Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, Southern Division, to the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, Coonoor; dated Trichinopoly, 30th May 1867, No 990

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter No. 47, dated 25th instant, I have the honor to state that the subject of vacating the old Dispensary at Ootacamund, on the opening of the new Civil Dispensary, was brought to my notice by Dr. Donaldson, when I visited the Hills in March last.

2. I was then, for the first time, informed of the arrangement as to disposal of the old building. I told Dr. Donaldson that, in my opinion, the new Dispensary being for the people only should be quite separated from the Government establishment, or what has been called the General Dispensary, a place for the storing and dispensing medicines, &c., for the use of sick Officers and other Government servants on the Hills, keeping records, &c., and which had hitherto been held in the same building with the Civil Dispensary; also that as it appeared no provision had been made in the new Dispensary for the reception of the General Dispensary stores, &c., (and very properly so, as it could not have been contemplated again to amalgamate the two) he could not remove them, until another place was provided for them; hence I suppose what you term Dr. Donaldson's obstruction.

3. Believing it to be desirable to sever, as much as possible, all connection between Civil Hospitals and those for the use of Government servants, the difficulty in this case is not to me inconceivable, neither is the fact of Dr. Donaldson's having signed a plan on his first arrival on the Hills, which he perhaps would, on further acquaintance, have objected to, a very singular one.

4. Under these circumstances, I am not prepared to issue the instructions you desire, nor have I authority to order the Government Dispensary stores, &c., to be placed in the new Dispensary without the permission of the Committee of Management of that Institution.

5. I shall, however, now forward this correspondence for the information of the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, and request his instructions on the subject.

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From the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Southern Division, Trichinopoly; dated Coonoor, 25th May 1867, No. 47.

In G O, No 3432 of 15th November 1865, Government communicated to this Department their intention of contributing a sum of Rupees 12,000 towards the construction of a new Civil Hospital and Dispensary at Ootacamund, and a further sum of Rupees 2075 was contributed in G O, No 479 of 19th February 1867, being the difference between the amount sanctioned for building three Dressers' quarters, and that at which it was estimated that the old Hospital could be converted into such quarters.

2. The new building having been completed in last official year was handed over to the Junior Medical Officer in charge of the Civil Dispensary on the 16th April last; and all materials, &c, having been got ready for the conversion of the old building into Dressers' quarters, at a cost in 1866-67 of Rupees 625, the Executive Engineer proceeded to carry out the latter work, but found that it had not been vacated as to the general stores under charge of the Senior Medical Officer.

3 That Officer has replied to Major Farewell's summons to vacate, that he had no authority to transfer anything to the new building which is under the charge of the Junior Medical Officer, unless directed to do so by the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Southern Division, or until he receives Government orders on the subject. I have, accordingly, the honor to request that the necessary instructions may be issued by you for vacating the old Dispensary to obviate the necessity of my addressing the Government on the subject. It is inconceivable that arrangements cannot be made for storing in the much larger new building everything that had hitherto found a place in the old Dispensary; and it is a singular fact that the plan for conversion of the old Dispensary into Dressers' quarters was countersigned by Dr. Donaldson in token of his approval of the arrangement, the carrying out of which he now obstructs.

Submitted to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, for orders.

COONOOR,
*4th June* 1867.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Col, R. E.,
*Supg. Engineer, 7th Division.*

Referred to the Public Department.

*7th June* 1867.

(Signed) C. A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
*Secretary to Government, D. P. W.*

No. 130. ORDER THEREON, 13th June 1867, No. 675.

The Governor in Council requests that the Inspector General, Medical Department, will issue immediate orders to the Medical Officer in charge of the Dispensary at Ootacamund to place the old building at the disposal of the Executive Engineer as soon as the new building is ready for use.

2. It was never intended that two Dispensaries or Hospitals should be maintained at Ootacamund, and on reference to the correspondence which has taken place regarding the erection of a new building, it is clear that that building was intended to serve the joint purpose of a General Dispensary and Civil Hospital.

Proceedings of Government, 10th January 1865, No. 33.

(True Extract).

*Chief Secretary.*

To the Inspector General, Medical Department.
„ Public Works Department.
„ Collector of Coimbatore.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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