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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

18th March 1879, No. 802 W.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 211. Endorsement of the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department, dated Fort St. George, 14th March 1879, No. 647.

From Lieutenant-Colonel T. E. TENNANT, Inspector-General of Jails, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 13th March 1879, No. 40.

No. 348, dated 3rd March 1879.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for the information of Government, the accompanying letter from the Superintendent of the District Jail at Vizagapatam, reporting an outbreak of cholera in that jail. Between the 22nd February and the 3rd March 1879 there have been 57 seizures, 19 of which have proved fatal. Of the number of prisoners admitted into hospital with cholera 28 were hill men and 29 lowlanders; of the former 12 have died, and of the low country men 7 have died. My object in bringing this matter specially to the notice of Government is to obtain orders for pushing on the works at the Parvatipur Jail for hill prisoners, and to request that instructions may be issued in the Department of Public Works to complete the necessary alterations to enable me to transfer the hill men from the Zillah Jail at Vizagapatam to Parvatipur. The Government are aware that although this jail was commenced upwards of 16 years ago it is not yet in a fit condition to be occupied as a prison.

From Surgeon J. SMITH, Superintendent of Jail, Vizagapatam, to the Inspector-General of Jails, dated Vizagapatam, 3rd March 1879, No. 348.

IN continuation of my letter, No. 346, dated 22nd February 1879, I have the honor to inform you that up to date there have been altogether 57 cases of cholera, of which 19 have proved fatal.

2. The disease began on the 20th February. From that date to the 22nd there were 10 cases, 23rd to 25th 27 cases, 26th to 28th 20 cases, and on the 1st and 2nd of the present month no cases.

3. Forty-eight cases have been admitted from the new jail and 9 from the camp jail. The last case in the camp jail occurred on the 24th ultimo.

4. Of those admitted 28 have been hill men and 29 low country men. Of the former 12 have died, and of the low country men 7 have died.

5. On the 20th ultimo the jail population was 454, while last night it was 386. I am informed on the best authority that it is likely to be largely increased within a very short time as the Salt Act is to be rigorously enforced.

6. All the prisoners who could be spared from the menial work of the jail have been sent to sea-bathing daily. They wash themselves, their cumblies, and clothing. The other prisoners—cooks, sweepers, grain-pounders, &c.—bathe in the tank near the jail.

7. All the blocks in the new jail and the sheds in the camp jail have been white-washed and red-washed. Sulphur fumigation has been plentifully used. Large fires have been burnt repeatedly inside the blocks of the new jail, a quantity of cumboo straw having been used for the purpose. On the night of the 27th the number of the prisoners sleeping in each block of the new jail was reduced to 20; the others, short-sentenced prisoners, sleeping outside in the verandahs. On the night of the 1st instant only the long-sentenced and bad characters were put inside the

blocks, eight to each of the six blocks, while all the others slept in the verandahs or open air. These arrangements were made with the concurrence of the Police authorities. It will be seen that the disease has been checked since the last precaution has been adopted.

FORWARDED to the Public Works Department in view to the requisite orders being issued for the speedy completion of the Parvatipur Jail.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Offg. Chief Secretary.

No. 212. ORDER THEREON, 18th March 1879, No. 802 W.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer, First Circle, who will arrange for the speedy completion of the alterations to the Parvatipur Hill Jail.

2. It is observed that Rupees 8,000 have been provided for the purpose in the Provincial Budget for 1879-80.

3. The Superintending Engineer will report fully with reference to the remarks made by the Inspector-General of Jails in the concluding portion of his letter, No. 40, dated 13th March 1879.

(True Extract.)

To the Superintending Engineer, First Circle.
,, Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
,, ~~Public~~ Department.
Judicial

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BUILDINGS AND ROADS.
CIVIL WORKS.

Govt. of (1879) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

The SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER,
FIFTH CIRCLE,
&c., &c. &c.

Dated March 18th.

Issued

Recd. *Encl.*

G. O., 18th *March* 1879, *No.* 802 W.

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Nos. 211-212.

Parvatipur Hill Jail, Vizagapatam District.—The Superintending Engineer to arrange for the speedy completion of the alterations to the —

No 40

Madras 13th March 1879

From
Lt. Colonel T. E. Tennant
Inspector General of Jails
To
C. G. Master Esq
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

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Your most Obedient Servant

Inspector General of Jails

No. 647

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Fort St. George
14th March 79. } To the Pub: Works Dept.

Actg Chief Secy

Judicial (1879) / Depts
From (Jails)
The Inspector
General of Jails
To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St George
Dated 13th March 1879.
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No 40.

Reporting outbreak of cholera in the jail at Vizagapatam and urging the necessity of pushing on the works at the Parvathipore jail.

With Endorsement.

Pro. 9 18-3-79 No. 802 Jr

No. 348 3/802

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The Superintendent of Jail
Vizagapatam

To
The Inspector General of Jails
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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obt Servant

Vizagapatam
Jail Office
3rd March 1879

J. Smith
Surgeon
Supt of Jail

Yates Jailor

From
The Supdt of Jail
Vizagapatam
To
The Insp. Genl of Jails
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Dated 22nd March 1879
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 18th March 1879.

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No. 5 Despd. 18-3-79 to 16th Circle

Despd. 31-3-79 to the
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Govt. of (1879) Madras.

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Parvatipore Hill Fort.
Vizagapatam Dt.

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