

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

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Bequest of the late Rev. J. Bilderbeck					2,367	0	3
Miscellaneous Receipts					1,000	0	0
					270	11	3
Total					21,416	1	10

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		Establishment.	Contingencies and Repairs.	Maintenance, Medical, and Hospital Charges.	Total.		
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3. The average daily number of paupers maintained during the year in the Choultry was 103 against 107 in 1880; and of patients in the Native Infirmary the daily average was 86 against 84 in 1880. In the Foundling Asylum the number of children was 9 against 10 in 1880. The expense incurred on account of dieting paupers was Rs. 2,472-3-4, or on an average it was 1 anna $\frac{3}{4}$ pie per head per day. The expenses for dieting patients in the Infirmary cost Rs. 4,759-3-10 for the year on an average 2 annas $3\frac{1}{2}$ pies per head per day. The charges on account of children in the Foundling Asylum amounted to Rs. 158-0-2, or on an average the cost was 9 pies per head per day.

4. The daily average number of pauper inmates in the Raja of Venkatagiri's Choultry was 38, besides 108 out-door paupers supplied with rice-doles, while in the year 1880 they were severally 42 and 108. The total number of patients admitted in the Lying-in Ward during the year 1881 was 458 against 269 in 1880. The ward was opened in May 1880.

5. The Directors regret to have to report that the result of the appeal to the public for donations to supplement the endowment for the Lying-in Ward has not been successful. They understand, however, that Mr. Ramasawmi Mudellyar has in contemplation to increase the endowment from his own private funds so as to reduce largely the demand upon the general funds of the Choultry, if not to make it altogether self-supporting.

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Increase	..	..	483	483
Decrease	1,455	384	..	1,839
Net Decrease	..	..	..	1,356

6. The charges compared with 1880 give the following result:—

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Communicated to
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Signed Roes Thompson
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by under Secy to Govt P.W.D.

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Exd. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of 1882 Madras.

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With Order

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