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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
3rd October 1866.*

Read the following :—

No. 39. Letter from Assistant Surgeon J. SHORTT, M. D., General Superintendent of Vaccination, to the Secretary to the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, Madras; dated Madura, 12th September 1866, No. 576.

I have the honor to report, for the information of the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, that, during my visit at Sivagunga, the Ranee of that place presented me with a shawl, which she insisted I should accept. Mr. G. F. Fischer, the Contractor of the Zemindary, values the shawl at (80) eighty Rupees. Under the circumstances, I beg respectfully to know, from the Principal Inspector General, whether I may accept the voluntary gift of this lady or not.

No. 342.

MEMORANDUM.

Forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government, for orders.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
18th September 1866.

(Signed) J. SHAW,
Prinl. Inspr. Genl., Medl. Dept.

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, 3rd October 1866, No. 1001.

The Government observe that the object for which the gift was offered, does not appear from the letter submitted.

2. Dr. Shortt will be informed that, if it was offered in recognition of his services on behalf of Government, in the introduction of vaccination or other sanitary measures in the Sivagunga Zemindary, the Government cannot countenance his acceptance of the present: if given as remuneration for, or in acknowledgment of, private professional advice to the Ranee, or any of her household, they will not object to Dr. Shortt's receiving the proffered gift.

3. It must, at the same time, be observed that Government do not, as a rule, contemplate a Medical Officer, in a position such as that held by Dr. Shortt, accepting private practice.

(True Extract).

Secretary to Government.

To the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
16th August 1867.*

No. 114. Read the following letter from the Reverend M. A. SHERRING, M. A., L. L. B., London, to the Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George; dated London, 2nd July 1867.

I have the honor to enclose the Prospectus of a work on "The Sacred City of the Hindus—an account of Benares in Ancient and Modern Times," which is about to be published by Trübner & Co., Paternoster Row, London.

2. As the work is altogether on an Indian subject, and as the expense of its publication will be considerable, I shall feel greatly obliged by your kindly laying the Prospectus, together with this note, before His Excellency the Governor of Madras in Council, requesting his patronage of the book when it issues from the press. I would also beg the favor of a reply to this communication, and would be glad to know to what extent I may reckon on such patronage.

No. 115. To the Reverend M. A. SHERRING, M. A., L. L. B., 6, Lowman Road, Holloway, London; dated Fort Saint George, 16th August 1867, No. 1001.

In reply to your letter dated the 2nd ultimo, I am directed to inform you that the Madras Government is prepared to subscribe to five copies of your work, entitled "The Sacred City of the Hindus—an account of Benares in Ancient and Modern Times."

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

12th September 1886

Dear Sir,

John Shortt Esquire M.D.
Assistant Surgeon
General Superintendent of Vaccination

The Secretary Principal Inspector
Medical Department
Madras

I have the honor to report for the
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Yours most obedt servant
John Shortt M.D. Asst Surgeon
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6 Lowman Road, ⁽³⁾
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(Recd. enter 12 September 1866 No. 576)

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(The Author)

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Dated. 3^d Oct. 1866.

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PROSPECTUS.

THE SACRED CITY OF THE HINDUS:
AN ACCOUNT OF BENARES IN ANCIENT
AND MODERN TIMES.

BY THE
REV. M. A. SHERRING, M.A., LL.B.,

MISSIONARY OF THE LONDON MISSIONARY SOCIETY; AUTHOR OF "THE INDIAN
CHURCH DURING THE REBELLION;" "INVESTIGATION INTO
THE CAUSES OF THE INDIAN MUTINY," ETC.

WITH AN INTRODUCTION BY
FITZ-EDWARD HALL, ESQ., D.C.L.,

LIBRARIAN TO THE INDIA OFFICE; LATE OF THE GOVERNMENT
COLLEGE, BENARES.

The history of a country is sometimes epitomized in the history of one of its principal cities. The city of Benares represents India religiously and intellectually, just as Paris represents the political sentiments of France. Being the sacred city of the Hindu, it is to him what Mecca is to the Mohammedan and Jerusalem to the Jew. There are few cities in the world whose antiquity is so great, and there is none, not even including Rome, of such sustained celebrity and glory. In Benares, Buddhism was first promulgated—in Benares, Hinduism has had her home in the bosom of her most impassioned votaries. This city therefore has given life and vigour to the two religions which to this day govern half the world.

An account of a city possessing such a history and such wonderful associations is not without its importance, and ought not to be devoid of interest. Having resided in it for several years, I have enjoyed peculiarly favourable opportunities for becoming acquainted with its inner life and character. The task I have set myself is not that of discussing the religious systems existing in Benares—which would have been an unnecessary undertaking, it having been so frequently accomplished by abler hands,—but of giving a representation of Benares as she was in the past, and as she is in the present. Her early history—her ancient architectural remains—her connection with ancient Buddhism—the numerous Buddhist ruins discovered in the city and neighbourhood—together with a description of many of the most sacred buildings existing at the present day,—her famous temples, her holy wells and reservoirs, her ghauts or stairs leading down to the Ganges—the legends concerning them—the peculiar customs at the temples—the ceremonies of the idolater—the modes of worship—the religious festivals—and many matters connected with Hinduism—form prominent topics of the work. It will also contain a description of the Hindu Observatory in Benares, and of the Panchkosi Road or Sacred boundary of the city. In addition, the present religious and moral aspects of the people under the influence of Christianity, of education, and of the civilization of Europe, which is operating upon the city at all points,—form the subject of a distinct chapter. As Benares has held a foremost place in the history of India for nearly three thousand years, so in all likelihood she is destined to maintain that position in the new era of enlightenment which has already dawned upon the land.

M. A. SHERRING.

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6 Lawman Road

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For Mr. George
16 August 1861

Copy to the Director of Public Instruction
with reference to the Rev. Mr. A. Sherring

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No. 1111

by Mr. W. J. Harrison, U.S. Atty.
for the District of Columbia
PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated, 10 August 1887.

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