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No. 80. Read the following letter from the General Superintendent of Vaccination, to the Officiating Secretary, Principal Inspector General, Medical Department ; dated Madras, 4th January 1866, No. 6.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, that during my recent tour of inspection in the Ceded Districts, I visited the Samasthanum of Soondoor, and had an interview with J. Macartney, Esq., the Agent of His Highness the Rajah, on the subject of introducing Vaccination in the above Samasthanum on the 20th ultimo. The same evening, Mr. Macartney kindly assembled together the heads of the people at his house, when I addressed them on the subject of Vaccination, explaining, in Telugu, the practice and benefits derived from the operation, with which they were greatly pleased. The next day, Mr. Macartney obtained for me an interview with His Highness the Rajah, to whom also, in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Macartney and some few of his Chief Officers, I explained the value of Vaccination, on which His Highness the Rajah also appeared satisfied and agreed to employ a Vaccinator in his Samasthanum. I herewith beg to append the Agent's letter to me on the subject. It is a remarkable fact that although Soondoor, the Head Quarters of the Samasthanum, is only 30 miles distant from the extensive and important town of Bellary, with its large Military Cantonment, and the Ramandroog Sanitarium situated in the Samasthanum itself being only six miles from Soondoor, yet Vaccination was not known, nor has it ever been heard of in this Province before now, and as it is likely that some opposition will perhaps be met with at the outset, I have, pending the sanction of Government, nominated 3rd Class Hospital Assistant Chinnasawmy, from the Bellary Vaccine Circle, to do duty at Soondoor, from the 1st January 1866, as a temporary measure. Mr. Macartney, the Agent, with the consent of His Highness, has engaged to pay the Hospital Assistant the usual sum of 28 Rupees a month, as paid by Government ; whilst the name of the Hospital Assistant will be borne on the list of the Bellary Vaccine Circle, and a substitute be entertained in his stead, should such a proposal meet with approval. I need not here allude to the advantage of an Hospital Assistant being located at Soondoor ; for the Samasthanum comprises an area of about 140 square miles containing 33 villages and hamlets, and a population of 13,000 souls.

2. The Hospital Assistant will be in a position to afford Medical aid to the people in all ordinary diseases, and even in more serious cases he may be able to obtain the advice of the Medical Officer located in the Samasthanum at Ramandroog, and thus be placed in a better position for overcoming the prejudices of the people, as far as his legitimate work of Vaccination is concerned. A supply of lymph maintained here will always be available both at Ramandroog and Bellary. I hope the Government will be pleased to appreciate the liberality thus displayed by His Highness the Rajah of Soondoor in this matter, which I am happy to add was chiefly owing to the kind exertions of Mr. Macartney, the Agent, of whose influence for good throughout the Samasthanum I have had ample evidence during my recent short visit to Soondoor.

From J. MACARTNEY, Esq., Agent ; to J. SHORTT, Esq., M. D., General Superintendent of Vaccination, Madras, dated Soondoor, 23rd December 1865, No. 57.

With reference to the object of your visit to Soondoor, I shall be most happy to be able to secure the services of an efficient Vaccinator, and engage to pay him the salary which you may fix on his being appointed to serve here. He will, of course, be subject to my direct orders, while

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still under your general supervision as a Vaccinator. He will probably meet with a considerable amount of prejudice in the first instance; but this will, doubtless, gradually give way as he gains the confidence of the people. I have for some time been desirous to establish a Dispensary here, but owing to various hinderances have hitherto been unable to carry out so desirable a project. It would be preferable if the person appointed by you had some knowledge of Medicine.

2. I may add, that the Rajah entirely approves of this proposal.

(True Copy).

(Signed) J. SHORTT, M. D.,
General Superintendent of Vaccination.

No. 11.

MEMORANDUM.

Forwarded to Government with recommendation that the temporary arrangement of detailing a 3rd Class Hospital Assistant from the Bellary Vaccine Circle to the Samasthanum of Soondoor may be sanctioned.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
11th January 1866.

(Signed) R. COLE,
Principal Inspector General,
Medical Department.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department.

No. 81.

ORDER THEREON, 26th January 1866, No. 81.

The Governor in Council sanctions, as a temporary arrangement, the employment of 3rd Class Hospital Assistant Chinnasawmy, Bellary Vaccine Circle, in the Jaghire of Soondoor, and directs that Dr. Shortt will inform the Jaghiredar, through his Agent, that His Excellency in Council has noticed with much pleasure the introduction of Vaccination in his Jaghire.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department,
,, Collector of Bellary.
,, Accountant General.

Edw. R. H. Lee,

Public Department.

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Dated 28 January 1868.

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