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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
8th October 1867.*

No. 69. Read the following letter from the Collector of Bellary, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Bellary, 20th September 1867, No. 49.

With reference to paragraph 2 of the Government Order, dated 20th July 1867, No. 882, I have the honor to submit, for the information of Government, the report of the Sub-Committee of the Bellary Dispensary, in regard to remarks of the Sanitary Commissioner to which their attention was called. The increase in the cost of dieting the patients seems to have been concurrent with the rise in prices, which also was coincident with the local management of the Institution.

PROCEEDINGS of the Sub-Committee for the management of the Civil Dispensary of Bellary, dated 7th September 1867.

Present.

Mr. J. G. Firth, Tahsildar..... President.
A. Casava Rau, Town Sub-Magistrate.. } Members.
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1. Read}Proceedings of last Meeting.
2. With reference to the remarks of the Sanitary Commissioner on the comparative cost of dieting patients in the years 1861 to 1866, the Sub-Committee find from a statement* kindly prepared by the Civil Surgeon, that the actual cost of dieting each patient per diem (not including cost of servants, &c.) has been as follows :—

* A copy of which is herein enclosed.

Year.	Average cost of one daily diet.			Average price of rice.
	RS.	A.	P.	
1861.....	0	2	1½	24 lbs. per Rupee.
1862.....	0	2	1½	21½ do.
1863.....	0	2	6	20¾ do.
1864.....	0	4	4¾	12¾ do.
1865.....	0	3	9	15 do.
1866.....	0	4	2¾	11½ do.
1867 January } to June. ... }	0	3	6½	12¾ do.

The average price of rice may be taken as an approximation to the prices of other articles, and the cost of dieting for the several years appears to have risen and fallen pretty much in accordance with the rise and fall in the price of that article. The principle which seems to have been adopted by the Sanitary Commissioner in calculating the cost of dieting each in-patient is evidently one that may lead to fallacious conclusions; for it does not take into consideration the average number of days each patient has been dieted, which may vary from year to year under varying conditions. The proper mode of instituting a comparison seems to be that of estimating the average daily cost per diet. The average cost of each daily diet for last month (August 1867) has been Rupees 0-2-3-29, or Rupees 5-3-5 per mensem.

3. With reference to the feasibility of changing the site of the Dispensary to one more centrally situated, the Sub-Committee do not see that any other more suitable one is available, and, if it were, the funds are at present in too low a state to bear the expenditure.

4. Examined and passed the accounts for August 1867.

7th September 1867.

(Signed) J. G. FIRTH,
President.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. CASAVA RAU,
Secretary.

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No. 70. ORDER THEREON, 8th October 1867, No. 1242.

Ordered that the foregoing letter and its enclosure be communicated to the Sanitary Commissioner.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras.

„ Collector of Bellary.

„ Inspector General, Medical Department.

No 49

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A. Widdesham
Collector of Bellary

To, The Honorable A. J. Subbuthus
Chief Secretary to Government
Madras

With reference to para 2 of the Government Order, dated 20 July 1867, No 882, I have the honor to submit for the information of Government the report of the sub-committee of the Bellary Dispensary, in regard to remarks of the Sanitary Commissioners to which their attention was called. The increase in the cost of stocking the patients seems to have been concurrent with the rise in prices, which also was coincident with the local management of the dispensary.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient
Secretary

A. Widdesham
Collector

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Corruption Committee to us -
- made of the Boundary
Commission -

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