

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	952	Press Mis.
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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,

5th August 1867.

No. 27. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 1st August 1867, No. 2322.

Directing the execution of certain alterations to the latrines attached to the Madras Eye-Infirmary. } (Vide Proceedings, Public Works Department, dated 1st August 1867, Nos. 28 & 29).

No. 28. ORDER THEREON, 5th August 1867, No. 952.

To be recorded.

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

Ed. J. Tulloch.

1st August 1867.

No. 28. Read the following letter from the Deputy Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, Presidency Division, to the Secretary to the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, Fort Saint George, dated 18th July 1867, No. 2,785 :—

1. Having twice inspected the male latrine attached to the Eye Infirmary, I have the honor to state that I fully coincide with the opinion expressed by the Superintendent of that Institution as to the necessity for removing the ascent to the trough, being satisfied that the plan adopted in the opposite side of the latrine is unquestionably the best adapted for the use of the sick.

2. I likewise advise that the latrine of the female ward be altered to the plan of the male latrine, which has been found to answer, and that a well may be formed in connection therewith as in the male latrine.

From the Superintendent, Eye Infirmary, Madras, to the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals, Presidency Division, dated Madras, 18th July 1867.

1. I have the honor to suggest that the sloping ascent to the trough running along the north wall of the male latrine of the Eye Infirmary be removed, and that the floor be made level up to the inner wall of the said trough. As you are personally acquainted with the nature of the alteration proposed, I refrain from entering into further detail.

2. When the latrine was reconstructed lately, I objected to the troughs, on the ground that the blind, aged, and frail patients of the Hospital could not make use of them without danger of falling : this objection was overruled. When the latrine was opened for use, I found it necessary at once to abandon the troughs, but, willing to give the principle a fair trial, I proposed to run a sloping ascent from the floor to the inner lip of the trough, and further to place a hand-rail convenient for guidance and help. Notwithstanding this new arrangement, the trough system does not work well, and I now suggest that the troughs be left as stores for sand, and that the sloping ascent be removed. The bare part of the floor being re-covered with asphalt.

3. I would also request that the alterations sanctioned (in G. O. No. 2,890, dated 10th September 1866,) in the latrine attached to the female ward, be carried out on the same principle as that adopted in the male latrine, and that the same arrangement connecting the well and latrine be preserved.

No. 293.

MEMORANDUM.

Forwarded to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, for favorable consideration.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
22nd July 1867.

(Signed) W. MACKENZIE, M. D.,
Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.

No. 29. ORDER THEREON, 1st August 1867, No. 2,322.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 7.

These papers will be communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division, who will issue orders for the execution of the works referred to.

(True Extract.)

Major, R. E.,

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Public Department.
" Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.
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