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Public DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	<i>1463</i>	Press ☒ Mis.
Dated	<i>27-1-37</i>	1867

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
27th October 1869.

No. 112. Read the following letter from the Magistrate of South Arcot, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Cuddalore, 7th October 1869, No. 59.

My Head Assistant applies to me, in the accompanying letter, for authority to expend Rupees 5000 in preparations for the approaching annual festival at Trinomallee.

2. Government will find this festival entered at pages 60 and 61 of their Proceedings under date 17th November 1868, No. 1421, and it will be seen that it is one of those festivals at which it is ordered by Government that the Rules laid down by the Sanitary Commissioner, and which are recorded in the same Proceedings, "must be strictly enforced."

3. Mr. Lister points out that to carry out the Rules in their entirety an outlay would be required of 35,000 to 40,000 rupees, and he submits an estimate of Rupees 5000 in modification of this large amount.

4. Considering the experience of past years, and especially of the two last occasions of the same festival, and which will be found noticed in Government Proceedings of 7th January and 31st December 1868, Nos. 9 and 1587, it appears to me very questionable whether there be any real necessity for the present proposed outlay. In the two years mentioned the respective expenditure incurred was only Rupees 249-12-0 and 327-6-3, and with the most successful results; but we must remember that those results were probably rather due to the very favourable character of the weather on both occasions than to any precautionary measures adopted; and had rains prevailed, and the ground been damp and saturated with wet, I much question whether those measures would, in any perceptible degree, have warded off the consequences usually attending such large gatherings of people and cattle in an inclement season of the year, and I imagine that, in prospect of such contingency, the Rules were framed, and their strict enforcement ordered. At the same time, without reference to Government, I do not feel myself authorized to sanction the outlay asked for, and I am not prepared to incur the responsibility of granting or withholding my sanction, since if, on the coming feast, the weather prove fine and dry, the results would, in all probability, be what they have been in former years, and then Government would naturally consider that I had not exercised a right discretion, and had needlessly put the State to a heavy charge, whereas if the weather be rainy and wet, which is very possible, (the feast being held at the very height of the monsoon season,) and if any sickness or epidemic were to break out and be fatal to human beings as well as to cattle, and the Rules had not been carried out, then Government would naturally hold me answerable, and I could not well divest myself of the responsibility; so that I am of opinion that the express sanction of Government is called for, and in view of the fact that Rupees 5000 is but a very moderate sum compared with that which the literal enforcement of the Rules would involve, I do not hesitate to recommend it for the sanction of Government, care, of course, being taken to restrict the expenditure within the grant. Any fees or charges as proposed by my Acting Head Assistant are forbidden, so that it is only by the sale of the materials that may be used in the construction of sheds and pandals that a return of any part of the outlay can be expected, and this would be comparatively inconsiderable.

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5. I have had an interview with Mr. Lister in regard to the sanitary measures to be taken, and of which night-and-day conservancy under a well-organized system will form a prominent part, and I think Mr. Lister fully realizes the need there is of observing the strictest care and economy in carrying out what is required, and of enforcing rather the spirit than the letter of the Rules, unless circumstances arise to necessitate a closer observance of the latter.

6. As the festival will commence about the middle of November next, I solicit the early Orders of Government on this reference.

No. 113.

ORDER THEREON, 27th October 1869, No. 1468.

The present state of the finances will not admit of so large an expenditure as that proposed for carrying out the sanitary arrangements of the approaching festival at Trinomallee. It will probably suffice, under the circumstances, if the precautions most essential for the prevention of an outbreak of any epidemic were resorted to, such as the erection of a suitable number of latrines, the provision for a pure-water supply, and the adoption of whatever other measures may seem most conducive to that object. For these purposes no greater expense need, it is presumed, be incurred than on previous occasions.

(True Extract.)

Actg. Secy. to Govt.

To the Collector of South Arcot, with enclosure returned.
„ Sanitary Commissioner.

Edw. J. Wright.

From

No 59

C. B. Beale Esqre

Magistrate of South Arcot

The Honorable R. S. Ellis Esq.

Chief Secretary
to Government
Madras

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under date 17th November 1868
No. 1421, and it will be seen
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Govt. of 1869; 20th Nov.

PUBLIC.

To

THE COLLECTOR of SOUTH ARCOT.
Esq.,
&c.,
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Dated October, 27th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. 27th October 1869, No. 1488.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 112-113.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed^t servant

South Bell
Majors' Office
Cuddalore
7th Oct 1869

Chuluckas
Magistrate

Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

from the
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/ Here enter 7 Oct. 1869. No 59 /

Order thereon 27 October 1869. No 1468.

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17 Nov 1869 No 26-27
17 Aug 1869 No 15-16
31 Dec 1869 No 173-174

Public Works
From the
The Collector of
South Arcot

No 1468
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Madras

Date 27 Oct 1869
No 59

Enclosure 1

No 2756

Forwarding a letter
from the Collector of South Arcot
and requesting an
order to be issued for
the provision of
sanitary arrangements
for the
approach of the
festival.

11/11

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[Handwritten signature]

To the Collector of the
Customs Commission

Trans. of the Field

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Cont. of 1186 J. M. Adams.

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To
The Public of the State of Ohio

7/14/34 of 1870
#1186-2444

Date: *Dec. 27*
Reed. 1869, No. *1186*

Nos. 112, 113.

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