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Public DEPARTMENT.

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No. 352.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 15th September 1869.

From

The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government, *Public* Dept.
Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I have the honor to report with reference to Order of Government 18th August 1155 that D^r Kennedy the Deputy Inspector General of the Southern District has informed me that he reported to the Collector of Trichinopoly as long ago as 29th May 1869, that he did not approve of the site chosen for the building of the new Dispensary.

2. The following appears to be D^r Kennedy's objections.

"The site for the building at Mylensunday is not the most suitable. It is much exposed to high winds and consequently very dusty, also noisy, and without any shade whatever. It is doubtful whether the soil would be favorable to the rapid growth of trees, which will be much required. I believe the well water in that vicinity can only be used for ablution purposes."

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The bazaar is close at hand, and there would be a thoroughfare close to the site unless a wall should be built."

"An additional objection to it is the proximity of the ground reclaimed by filling up the old Fort Ditch, which has yet been only partially accomplished. To make the site more eligible, a considerable expense would accrue, as much improvement of the ground would be necessary."

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt. Servant

J. H. Reynolds

Adj. Insp. General

Inf. & Art. Dept.

Adjutant General's Office

For Insp. Gen. Inf. & Art. Dept.

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Public Dept.

No.

From

The Inspector General,

Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

The Secretary to Government,

Public Department,

Fort Saint George.

Dated 15th Sept 1869

Received

No. 3572.

No. 2169

Submits by direction of

knowledge of the fact that the
wife selected for the husband
after more than six months
at Madras.

It is requested that the
Government may be pleased to
order that the same may be
allowed to proceed to the
Colonies.

COLLECTOR, C. T. HENRY
MADRAS, 20 SEP 1869

Permanently

Referred to the collector of
Madras for report.

Fort Saint George
18 September 1869

W. A. L. E. D.

To The Collector of Madras. Ag. Secy. to Govt.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
11th November 1869.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 68. From Deputy Inspector-General J. A. REYNOLDS, for the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Fort Saint George, 16th September 1869, No. 352.

I have the honour to report, with reference to Order of Government, dated 18th August, No. 1155, that Dr. Kennedy, the Deputy Inspector-General of the Southern District, has informed me that he reported to the Collector of Trichinopoly so long ago as 29th May 1869, that he did not approve of the site chosen for the building of the new Dispensary.

2. The following appears to be Dr. Kennedy's objections :—

“ The site for the building at Mylunsunday is not the most suitable. It is much exposed to high winds, and consequently very dusty, also noisy, and without any shade whatever. It is doubtful whether the soil would be favourable to the rapid growth of trees, which will be much required. I believe the well water in that vicinity can only be used for ablution purposes. The bazaar is close at hand, and there would be a thoroughfare close to the site unless a wall should be built.

“ An additional objection to it is the proximity of the ground reclaimed by filling up the old Fort ditch, which has yet been only partially accomplished. To make the site more eligible, a considerable expense would accrue, as much improvement of the ground would be necessary.”

Referred to the Collector of Trichinopoly for report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
18th September 1869.

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Actg. Secy. to Govt.

No. 69. From G. BANBURY, Esq., Collector of Trichinopoly, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Trichinopoly, 1st October 1869, No. 54.

In returning Doctor Reynolds' letter I have the honour to make the report as requested by endorsement thereon, dated 18th ultimo.

2. The objections now urged against the site long since selected, and approved of by the Committee, are the following, which I will dispose of *seriatim* :—

1st. *That it is exposed to high winds and very dusty.*—During about a fourth of the year these remarks would apply to any locality that one could select in Trichinopoly; but as the spot in question is situated near to paddy-fields and cocoanut groves, over which the prevailing westerly winds blow before they reach the contemplated site, the dust would be rather less there, than in many other localities.

2nd. *Very noisy.*—On the west are the paddy-fields and cocoanut woods before mentioned, on the north the extensive old jail buildings about to be well-nigh abandoned, on the east is a large open plain, and on the south side alone there are houses some two hundred yards off. I do not see, therefore, how Dr. Kennedy could select in the vicinity of the town a spot less noisy.

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There is not far off a small Pagoda dedicated to Mooniappen, where sacrifices accompanied with tom-toming went on, but the Municipality have bought this up for purposes of town improvement, and the building will thus soon be swept away.

3rd. *Trees will not grow rapidly.*—The soil is doubtless hard, but only dig the pits sufficiently large, and Margosas and Kalichies will grow well enough.

4th. *No well water for drinking.*—We do not require this as the Gooroo-vien tank full of good drinking water is close by.

5th. *Bazaar is close at hand and thoroughfare.*—The new Municipal market is many hundred yards away from the proposed site, and the moderate traffic over the plain nothing to object to.

6th. *Vicinity to the filled in moat.*—This work has been undertaken mainly for sanitary purposes, and if it is unhealthy to live near this reclaimed land, the ditch might as well have been left as it was; but the spot Dr. Kennedy refers to will be filled up, and covered in, long before the Dispensary is even commenced, and trees will, I hope, ere that be thriving thereon; the "considerable expense" will be borne by the Municipality.

3. A perusal of the extracts at the foot of this letter will show that this spot, now condemned by Dr. Kennedy, was, after much care and pains, selected and approved of as the best, and only available site, by the Committee, of which Dr. Ranking the present Sanitary Commissioner was a most active member. Moreover this site has already been taken possession of by Government upon re-payment of a considerable sum of money as indemnification.*

4. Finally, I do not say that the position is matchless, but no other can be obtained, nor can the present Medical Officers point out any available site more suitable; in a word it is just one of those cases in which we must rather be content with the somewhat imperfect possible, than idly wait for the perfect impossible.

Extracts referred to in paragraph 3 of this letter.

"Great difficulty, however, has been experienced in the selection of a site for a new Hospital.

Para. 242 of Part III. of the Report upon the Military and Civil Station of Trichinopoly, by J. L. Ranking, Esq., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

"A piece of land to the north of the District Jail was selected
"with the general approval of the Committee, but it was found
"that it has been recently sold under orders of Government, and
"that it could not be re-purchased at a cost within the means
"of the institution. There appears, however, to be a possibility of regaining the land as the
"purchasers have not complied with certain conditions of sale. The Collector is giving attention
"to the subject."

"Here is the finest, I may say the only existing good site in proximity to the town
"which the Government went to considerable trouble to sell
"with the express understanding that the town was to be thereby
"improved and benefitted by the erection on it of a creditable
"set of bazaars; here is this site the greater part of it lying still unoccupied, and the remainder
"spoilt by a collection of disagreeable huts. This site would suit admirably for the erection of

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"our new Dispensary building, and the project is delayed because we cannot find another site at
"all suitable."

(Signed) G. BANBURY,
Collector.

No. 70. ORDER THEREON, 11th November 1869, No. 1544.

The Government concur with Mr. Banbury, the Collector of Trichinopoly, that there is no objection to the site selected for a Dispensary at Trichinopoly. The Government regret, however, that they cannot, in the present condition of the Imperial Finances, hold out any prospect that the amount of the Government contribution, Rupees 4625, will be available from the Public Works Budget of 1870-71.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Trichinopoly.
" Public Works Department.
" Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department.
" Sanitary Commissioner.

Exd. J. Wright.

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From
The Collector
Trichinopoly

To
The Agent to the
Government
Fort St George

Dated 1st Decr 1869
Recd. 1st Decr 1869
No. 2228 + No 54

Returns Doctor
Reynolds's letter, and
reports upon the
several objections
taken by Doctor Kennedy
to Mylanchanday for
the site of the
proposed Civil Dis-
pensary building -

Recd 18. Sept 1869 No. 119 e 125
- 12. Sept 1869 - 88 e 91

cc 10. cc. Mr.
228. 12.11. 69.

Sent. at 1869) 20th Decr.

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THE COLLECTOR OF TRICHINOPOLY.

Ac., Ac., Ac.

Dated November, 11th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 11th November 1869, No. 1344.

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Nos. 68-70.

Concurring with Mr. Banbury, Collector of
Trichinopoly, that there is no objection to the site
selected for the proposed Civil Dispensary at
Trichinopoly.

Public Department.

Mr. Secy. Pub. Dept. 21/10/69

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters from the

Collector of Trichinopoly.
Here enter 1st Decr. 1869. N^o 1544.

Order thereon 11 November 1869. N^o 1544.

The Government
concur with Mr. Bamberg,
the Collector of Trichinopoly,
that there is no
objection to the site se-
lected for a dispensary
at Trichinopoly. The
Government regret, how-
ever, that they cannot,
in the present ^{unimpaired} financial
condition of the state,
hold out any prospect
that the amount of the
Government

W.H.

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Government Contribution
Rs 4625, will be avail-
able from the Public
Works Budget of 1870-71.

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Public Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Read the following letter

From the Insp^r Genl. Ind. Med. Dpt. / Date sent 16th Sept/79
Collector of Trichinopoly. / 1st Oct/79 No. 37)

Order thereon. Oct. 1879. No.

It appears from the letter, I am desirous to think that we ought to withdraw our promise of a grant that the ground selected for us and to this building the new Civil Dispensary at our other works from Trichinopoly is the best and will be a good deal only available site. The returned must give all our and probably all our money will be wanted Committee may, therefore, if for other more urgent they are in a position to do work. However and so, at once commence upon the Bill which I am about the projected building to the Col^r of Trichinopoly to bring in there with the Pub. Works Dpt. Sanitary Commissioner making available health. Genl. & Ind. Dpt. from work from for

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- Sanitary Commissioner 6

disposition and other
purposes connected with
the public health or
convenience and if the
disposition is to that of
use to the people of the
district as well as to the
people of the town and
may be given from local
district as well as from
municipal funds.

A. A.
W. J.

Boat of 1869 } **Widows.**

Public

to

The Collector of Wicksburg
Geo

Dated *Mar 11* }
Recd. 1869, No. 1374.

Nos. 68-70.

Concerning with Mr.
Bansbury, Esq. of Wicksburg,
that there is no objection,
to the sale selected for
the proposed Civil Rights.
- say at Wicksburg.