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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
13th November 1869.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 80. From the Collector of Tanjore, to the Acting Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Combaconum, 16th October 1869, No. 953.

I have the honour to submit, for the consideration and favourable orders of Government, the enclosed letter from the Sub-Collector and Vice-President of the Committee for the management of the Civil Dispensary at Negapatam.

2. It is a fact that the inhabitants of Nagore derive little or no benefit from the Civil Dispensary, owing to its location at a distance of more than $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. I am of opinion that it is very desirable that the usefulness of European medicines should be more fully known, and I think that the plan proposed by the Committee, viz., of employing a pensioned Dresser or Hospital Assistant for distributing medicines at the doors of the patients deserves a trial.

3. I beg, therefore, to propose that medicines should be allowed to be supplied gratis for this purpose, or at all events that the Committee should be allowed to purchase them from the Negapatam Dispensary at cost price.

Referred to the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department for report.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
25th October 1869.

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 81. From the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Fort Saint George, 29th October 1869, No. 392.

In returning the enclosed letters,* referred to me for report with your Under

* No. 953 of 16th October 1869, from Collector of Tanjore to Acting Secretary to Government, Madras.
No. 180 of 21st September 1869, from President of Dispensary Committee, Negapatam, to Collector of Tanjore.

Secretary's endorsement of the 25th current, I have the honour to state that the proposal of the Sub-Collector and Vice-President of the Committee for the management of the Civil Dispensary at Negapatam, to employ a pensioned Dresser for the purpose of affording medical aid to the inhabitants of Nagore, appears to me well-worthy of trial as an experimental measure.

2. I see no objection to the Committee being empowered to procure, at cost price from the Hospital at Negapatam, such European medicines as are hereafter to be supplied to Civil Dispensaries.

3. Indigenous drugs, and those obtainable in the bazaars, will, it is presumed, be procured by the Committee in the manner laid down for Civil Dispensaries in Government Order, No. 1395, of 9th October 1869, Public Department.

No. 82. ORDER THEREON, 13th November 1869, No. 1551.

The Government approve of European medicines being supplied to the pensioned Dresser at Nagore as an experimental measure, as recommended by the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Tanjore.

„ Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department.

„ Examiner of Medical Accounts.

Exd. J. Wright.

No 180.

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Vegapatam 21st September

To
The Collector
of Tanjore

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Civil Dispensary Committee, it was suggested that some steps should be taken towards providing medical attendance for the large class of natives, who would prefer to have it at their own houses. The Dispensary here is not healthy enough to receive many in-patients, and it is but a small class who are able to come up daily for treatment as out patients. The large majority when ill are unable to bear the journey and exposure, and are therefore forced to employ Native practitioners, simply from being unable to obtain European treatment at their own houses. This is more particularly the case with the people of itagore. The two towns are, as you know, four miles apart, and the Dispensary has been placed between the two, so as to be 1 1/2

Miles

Govt. of 1869 Madras

PUBLIC.

To

THE COLLECTOR OF TANJORE.
&c., &c.,

Dated November, 13th.

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G. O., 13th November 1869, No. 1551.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 80—82.

Approving of European medicines being supplied to the pensioned Dresser, proposed to be employed at Nagore.

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miles from Nagapattam and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from
Nagore. This however is too far for those who
are really sick to be brought in day by day,
and therefore the people of Nagore, though
they subscribed largely to the dispensary, are
practically without any means of medical
treatment but their own Native Doctors.
The want is especially felt in times of epidemic,
to the danger of which they are particularly
exposed from the large feasts that is celebrated
there annually; and when Cholera broke
out amongst them two years ago, they died
by dozens without there being any
possibility of affording them adequate
medical treatment.

2. I think that the people
might themselves bear the cost by the
plan of attaching a dresser to the Dispensary
who would visit the sick at their own houses
and pay himself by a small fee of two or three
annas for each visit, which if he were a
pensioned dresser, would be quite sufficient
for him. The Municipal Commissioners of

Nagore

Nagore and Nagapattam approve of the
scheme, and are willing to give him the
fee of 10 Rupees a month which at present
they pay to a Vaccinator. It is proposed to
try a pensioned dresser as an experimental
measure, and all therefore that is asked
of the Government now is that he may
be allowed to draw his medicines from
the Dispensary. If an objection is made
to this being given free, the Municipality
are willing to pay the monthly bill for
them, if they may be allowed at cost price.
If the scheme succeeds, and it is found
that the work is too heavy for a pensioned
dresser, it may be necessary to apply for
the services of a younger man on the
regular establishment, in which case the
Municipality and the people might
guarantee to make up the whole of his pay.
but at present it is thought that there are
many pensioned dressers who would be
sufficiently effective for the post and
would be glad to have it. I think that
the plan is promising, and might do something.

Copy of a letter from the
 Hon. Sec. of the Interior
 to the Hon. Sec. of the
 Navy, dated 18th Decr 1880.
 The letter is for the use of the
 Navy, and is signed by
 the Hon. Sec. of the Interior.

In returning the enclosed letter, referred to me for report with your Under Secretary's endorsement of the 25th current, - I have the honor to state that the proposal of the Sub Collector and Vice President of the Committee for the management of the Civil Dispensary at Negapatam, to employ a pensioned dresser for the purpose of affording Medical aid to the inhabitants of Nagore, appears to me well worthy of trial as an experimental measure.

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October 1869 Public Department.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Most Obedt. Servt.

W. Macleure Esq

Inspector General
Indian Med. Dept.

By order of the Secretary to Government
26/1/89
21/2/89

Feb - 1869.

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No.

From

The Inspector General,
Indian Medical Department,
Port Saint George.

To:
The Secretary to Government,
Indian Medical Department,
Port Saint George.

Dated 17/1/89

Received 19/1/89

No. 2402

Reference of the
Inspector General's letter
of the 17th inst. regarding
the Medical Department
of the Indian Medical
Department, Port Saint
George.

With order

All the new letters of the
Inspector General's letter
of the 17th inst. are at
present under Mr. W. H. L.

Reference of the
Inspector General's letter
of the 17th inst. regarding
the Medical Department
of the Indian Medical
Department, Port Saint
George.

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Reference of the
Inspector General's letter
of the 17th inst. regarding
the Medical Department
of the Indian Medical
Department, Port Saint
George.

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Public
Office of Bangalore
for

Dated 18 Nov.

Recd.

G. O. 18 Nov.

1869, No. 1857

Nos. 80-82

Approving of the proposed
allowances being supplied to
the ~~the~~ pensioned messes
proposed to be employed
at Bangalore.