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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
3rd March 1869.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 9. From J. R. ARBUTHNOTT, Esq., Officiating Collector of Madura, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madura, 23rd January 1869, No. 127.

I have the honor to submit, for the favorable consideration of Government, an original application from the Reverend E. Chester, for a monthly grant from Government in aid of the working expenses of the Dispensary at Dindigul.

2. In doing so, I have much pleasure in expressing my appreciation of the great usefulness of the Institution, and of the zeal and kindness which Mr. Chester has invariably shown in conducting the business connected with the Dispensary.

3. Institutions of this nature are unfortunately very scarce in India, and I sincerely hope that Government, on a consideration of the circumstances set forth by Mr. Chester in the enclosed letter, will be disposed to afford aid and support to this truly useful Dispensary.

4. The annual grant of Rupees 600, added to our local subscriptions, would, I think, be a sufficient assistance, and I am sure that the money would be well-spent.

From the Reverend E. CHESTER, in charge of Dindigul Dispensary, to the Acting Collector of Madura; dated Dindigul, 9th January 1869.

I would respectfully apply, through you, as the Chief Officer of the District, to Government, for a monthly grant for the Dindigul Dispensary, of which I am in charge, according to the usual rules and allowances for Civil Dispensaries, for the working expenses of the Dispensary.

2. Although the Dindigul Dispensary may, in one sense, be called a Mission Dispensary, yet it carries out, in every respect, all the work and advantages of a Civil Dispensary, no distinction being shown to caste or creed, and yet, as the American Madura Mission has a Dispensary at Madura, no help is given by the Mission to the Dindigul Dispensary.

3. I am most grateful to Government for its generous assistance, during the year 1868, in a grant of medicines and surgical instruments to the Dindigul Dispensary; but as there are certain medicines, of which I have to make considerable use, which cannot be indented for, and as will always be the case, the stock of certain medicines was low in the General Stores, at the time when the annual indent was sent in, and the full quantity of medicines passed by the Deputy Inspector, not sent, I have spent over Rupees 200 for medicine, through the year.

4. The monthly pay of Assistants, in the Dispensary, during 1868, including a woman who takes charge of all obstetrical cases, having been sent to Madras to study in the Government Lying-in Hospital, for this very purpose, has been Rupees 55.

5. While we require all in-patients to provide their own diet, yet it is impossible to prevent an occasional outlay for special cases. In special surgical cases we have to add to the patients' own diet, and all the Arrack or Brandy required for special cases has had to be purchased.

6. The Hospital rooms and the Dispensary require repairing, from time to time, and I ought, at once, to have two or more rooms in my Hospital building. For this and many miscellaneous expenses I have no fund whatever, except as friends give me monthly subscriptions or donations.

7. I am under the greatest obligations to English friends among the civilians in the district, and some who are now in other districts, but who have seen the working of the Dispensary. I have received this year, in subscriptions and donations for my Dispensary, Rupees 514-8-0. In answer to a special appeal for help for this year which I made to thirteen friends, in the month of October, I have received Rupees 525. Rupees 44-4-2 have been contributed in the Charity-box suspended in the Dispensary, by patients and native friends.

8. In addition to the abovenamed sums, Rupees 279 have been paid into my hands by native friends in the town and district of Dindigul, for the building of a small "Lying-in Hospital."

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9. Though thus far, by the blessing of God, the monthly subscriptions to my Dispensary have been for a most generous amount, yet it is always a matter of uncertainty how long these may be continued. Friends among the civilians, leaving the district, would have local objects of charity in other districts. I wish, also, most earnestly, to be saved from the necessity of making another special appeal. It has been the hardest and most unpleasant part of my work this year.

10. The work in the Dindigul Dispensary is constantly on the increase. There have been 8967 patients during the past year, of which 5292 were new cases, or those coming for the first time. This is 941 new cases more than in 1867, when there were 726 new cases more than in 1866. The patients have come from more than 400 different villages, and at distances of more than 60 miles in every direction.

11. I ask nothing for my own services, and will never appropriate an anna of money which is given to me, in charity, other than in the most careful and economical manner. I most gladly give my time and the best services I can render to this intensely interesting and important work.

Referred to the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, for report as to the claim of the Dispensary at Dindigul to a monthly State grant.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
2nd February 1869.

(Signed) W. S. LILLY,
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

No. 10. From the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort Saint George, 16th February 1869, No. 64.

In returning the communication marginally noted, which was referred to me with your Under Secretary's docket of the 2nd current, I have much pleasure in expressing my concurrence in the recommendation of the Officiating Collector of Madura, that Government should grant a monthly allowance in aid of the Dispensary at Dindigul.

2. I have already stated my opinion, that, but for Mr. Chester's charitable undertaking, Government would probably have been asked to aid in the establishment of an institution of this sort, at a much greater expense than would be incurred by helping the one already in operation; and the increasing number of applicants, reported by Mr. Chester in his letter to Mr. Arbuthnott of the 9th ultimo, seems fully to bear out this opinion.

No. 400, of 16th October 1867.

No. 11. ORDER THEREON, 3rd March 1869, No. 262.

The Government observe from the Reverend Mr. Chester's letter to the address of the Collector of Madura, that the Dispensary which he has established at Dindigul is entirely supported by private contributions. That, during the past year, Rupees 1083 were thus contributed, besides a grant of Rupees 279 for the erection of a small Lying-in Hospital; and that the number of patients treated during the year was 8967.

2. The cost of the establishment is stated to be Rupees 55 per mensem.

3. The usefulness of the institution having been fairly established, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased, on the recommendation of the Officiating Collector, and the Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, to sanction a monthly grant of Rupees (50) fifty per mensem.

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4. The Collector will arrange for the punctual submission of the Annual Report called for in G. O., dated the 5th November 1867, No. 1380.
(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Madura.

" Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.
" Accountant General.

Exd. J. Wright.

(Dindigul. Jan 9th. 1869)
R. Arbuthnot Esq.
Mr. C. S.
49 College Madras

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To
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THE COLLECTOR OF MADURA.

Dated March, 3rd.

Recd.

G. O., 3rd March 1869, No. 2625.

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Nos. 9-11.

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I am,
Your most obedient Servant
Edward Chester
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No 127

Collector's Office

Madura 23 January 1869.

From

J. A. Asbuthmott Esq
Offg. Collector of Madura

To

The Honorable P. L. Ellis
Chief Secretary to Government
(Fort St. George).

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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,
Fort Saint George, 16th February 1869.

From

The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,
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The Chief Secretary to Government, Public Dept.
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