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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
2nd April 1869.

No. 8. Read the following letter from G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Edawanna, 22nd February 1869, No. 20A.

I have the honor to report on the working of the several Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries in this district, during the year ending 31st December 1868, as directed in G. O., dated 5th April 1867, No. 358.

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One was opened at Manjeri in September, and the other at Ponani in October last. There are now, therefore, seven Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries in the district, at the places noted in the margin, all in working order.

Tellicherry. Palghaut.
Calicut. Cochin.
Manjeri. Gudalur.
Ponani.

2. The subjoined statement shows the number of patients who received aid from the several Hospitals during the year, as compared with that treated in the previous year :—

	1867.			1868.			Remarks.
	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.	
1. Tellicherry.....	148	4,423	4,571	80	2,570	a 2,650	(a). Decrease not accounted for by the Civil Surgeon.
2. Calicut.....	289	3,975	4,264	286	3,946	4,232	(b). For the months of September, October, November, and December only.
3. Manjeri.....	...	...	...	63	651	b 714	
4. Ponani.....	...	...	...	8	583	c 591	
5. Palghaut.....	55	768	823	91	1,142	1,233	(c). For the months of October, November, and December only.
6. Cochin.....	323	3,944	4,267	709	6,822	7,531	
7. Gudalur.....	...	...	290	...	...	d 264	
Total.....	815	13,110	14,215	1,237	15,714	17,215	(d). The Officer in charge accounts for the decrease thus : “ The decrease may be satisfactorily accounted for by the influx of labor from the surrounding districts to the various estates being later than usual, which necessarily affects the admission list.

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3. The financial condition of the Dispensaries will appear from the annexed statement :—

Districts.	Funded Capital.	How invested.	Receipts.		Disbursements.		Balance.	
			RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.	RS.	A. P.
Tellicherry.....	1,500 0 0	Govt. paper at 5 per cent. Do. at 4 per cent. Madras Bank do.						
	500 0 0							
	1,035 12 10							
	3,035 12 10		2,048	10 8	834	9 3	1,214	1 5
Calicut.....	25,000 0 0	On loan to private parties at 9 per cent. interest. In Bank at 5 per cent. Ditto at 4 per cent.						
	500 0 0							
	500 0 0							
	26,000 0 0		3,193	0 6	2,935	10 3	257	6 3
Manjeri.....	...	...	837	12 0	490	4 6	347	7 6
Ponani.....	...	...	301	0 0	133	0 0	168	0 0
Palghaut.....	...	...	886	10 3	737	0 0	149	10 3
Cochin.....	2,909 0 0	In Bank.	5,760	10 1	2,564	10 4	3,195	15 9
Gudalur.....	...	...	5,159	7 8	4,740	9 5	418	14 3

4. The past season has been generally healthy, and no epidemic of any kind prevailed.

The reports of the Officers in charge of the several Dispensaries enter into full details of the diseases treated, and the success which has attended the treatment.

5. I will now notice, briefly, the separate reports of the Medical Officers, and offer some general remarks on the working of the Dispensaries :—

6. *Tellicherry*.—The number of patients treated in the Dispensary has been small latterly especially. The Civil Surgeon's report calls for no particular remark ; but seeing that Tellicherry is a place of importance and resort from Wynaad, Coorg, &c., and that the Civil Hospital there is the only one in the Taluqs of Kotteyom and Kurumbranad, I cannot agree with the Civil Surgeon in stating the Civil Hospital is " far beyond the requirements of the place." For, the place should not meet its own immediate local requirements only, but those of an extensive circumjacent district, and a large number of occasional visitors as coolies, cartmen, &c., from the coffee districts.

In the statement of the Funded Capital, appended to the Civil Surgeon's report, the amounts paid during the year by Natives and Europeans, respectively, are not particularized.

This is a useful piece of information, as indicating the interest which the natives themselves take in the institution, and the extent to which they seem inclined to support it.

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It is not clear, from the statement of receipts and disbursements, that the amounts shown as donations for current expenses are subscriptions paid periodically, or mere casual payments.

The Civil Surgeon has not offered any explanation of the decrease in the number of patients treated, and I cannot think the working of this Hospital for the past year altogether satisfactory.

7. *Calicut*.—Considerable improvements have been made in this institution since the date of the last report. The building has been repaired at an aggregate cost to Government of Rupees 1100 ; some very useful furniture, bedding, &c., has been provided, and a claim against the Dispensary due on the previous year adjusted. Much attention has been paid to the various branches of management. Some 1000 Rupees have been collected during the year as donation, and added to the funded capital.

Vide G. O., dated 19th February 1868, No. 199.
G. O., 3rd March 1868, No. 706.

In all 26,000 Rupees.

The buildings and premises are neat and orderly, the number of patients is increasing, and extension of the accommodation is under consideration.

8. *Manjeri*.—The Civil Hospital and Dispensary at this station promises to do much good to the neighbourhood. I have already reported on its successful opening.

Vide Collector to Government, dated 7th October 1868, No. 139, and G. O., dated 16th December 1868, No. 1537.

The inhabitants of the Taluqs of Ernad and Valavanad, though not as a rule wealthy, have contributed fairly towards the construction of the building, (viz., Rupees 1534-8-4,) although they had previously given very liberal contributions* to the Calicut Hospital and Dispensary Fund. The success of this institution has astonished not only those who were entirely sceptical as to its being appreciated, but even its most sanguine supporters. It is the first experiment that has been made in Malabar of a Civil Hospital at a place not the station of European Officers. I attribute much of the highly satisfactory state of things to the active interest taken in the building and general arrangements by Ramuni Marar, Tahsildar of Ernad, and to the pains, tact, and skill evinced by the Dresser Arunachella Pillay in his treatment both of out and in-patients.

* Ernad..... Rs. 8208
Valavanad..... 5202

9. *Ponani*.—The Civil Hospital and Dispensary newly established at this station is now in a private building given free of rent for one year for the purpose. Eight in-patients and 583 out-patients are returned as having been treated during the short time it has been in existence ; and though it has not had so brilliant a start as the Manjeri Hospital, it promises to be very useful, indeed, in a place where medical assistance is so much required as in Ponani.

10. *Palghaut*.—Although this is a large and populous town, little interest has been evinced by the inhabitants in the Civil Hospital and Dispensary, which has for years been established, but which does not seem to flourish as it might be fairly expected to do. A large portion of the population consists of caste-people who object to becoming in-patients. The Assistant in charge reports that Brahmins

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have, at times, applied for medical aid at the Dispensary, yet the finances of the Dispensary have not improved. I have had some correspondence with the Acting Head Assistant Collector on the subject, and the only way to improve the institution seems to be to give a grant-in-aid from Municipal Funds. I request attention to my letters noted on the subject.

23rd April 1868, No. 52.
26th May 1868, No. 69.
6th February 1869, No. 13.

11. *Cochin*.—The Civil Hospital and Dispensary at this station continues to increase in usefulness.

Its great success is partly attributed to judicious attention to caste prejudices in the Dispensary arrangements. I would request attention to Dr. Whitton's report*. The example is worth imitating elsewhere.

* Dated 1st January 1869.

Rupees 1050 were collected as donations last year, and Rupees 2909, the amount of the savings of the year with the exception of Rupees 286-15-9 kept on hand, were invested in the Madras Bank, but the rate of interest payable is not specified.

A separate statement of the funded capital has not been submitted.

In the statement of receipts and disbursements, the amounts severally paid by the Europeans and Natives on account of donations, subscriptions, &c., are not particularized.

I have already brought to the notice of Government the desirability of establishing a Sailors' Hospital at this station. I request early orders on the subject.

Vide Collector's letter, dated 2nd February 1869, No. 10.

12. *Gudalur*.—The Dispensary at this station is supported partly by Government contribution, and partly by the European Planters. Very little native aid is afforded, but much cannot be looked for at such a place. The institution is an exceedingly useful one, and its management is most creditable to Mr. Wade. This affords another instance of how much may be done by tact and kindness of manner in encouraging native sufferers to avail themselves of the benefits offered.

13. I was in hopes I should have been able to report that Hospitals and Dispensaries had been started on an efficient footing at both Mannantoddy and Gudalur. I should ere this have submitted some propositions on the subject of the Hospital at Mannantoddy, but have not received the plans and estimates from the Public Works Department, to whom certain rough ones, prepared unprofessionally, were sent for revision. I believe, however, the residents are quite prepared to assist, and do desire to see a fitting institution started.

I regret that, of Rupees 2400 promised for a Hospital at Gudalur, only Rupees 1523 have been paid in, notwithstanding repeated and urgent calls.

Some of the promising subscribers declare they do not pay as they see no chance of speedy completion; others take no notice of calls.

The sum collected I have placed in the Madras Bank, till such time as it is required; but it is matter for great regret that, at a place that is making such progress as Vytry and its vicinity, a section of the residents of the neighbourhood should withhold liberal aid to the much required work.

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No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 2nd April 1869, No. 417.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council has read with satisfaction the foregoing report by the Collector of Malabar, on the condition of the several Civil Hospitals within his charge. There are at present in the District of Malabar seven of these Institutions in working order, and there can be no question but that the comparatively wide diffusion of the benefits of European Medical Science in Malabar is, in no small degree, due to the lively personal interest which Mr. Ballard has uniformly exhibited in the matter.

2. The Hospitals which appear to have been most successfully conducted are those at Calicut, Gudalur, and Manjeri. At Calicut it appears that the number of patients is increasing, and the extent and character of the accommodation have been very materially improved. The success of the Hospital at Manjeri, the first experiment which has been made in Malabar of a Civil Hospital at a place not the station of European Officers, is extremely gratifying, and reflects great credit on the Tahsildar of Ernad, Ramuni Marar, and on the Dresser Arunachella Pillay. The Government notice with approbation the testimony borne by the Collector of Malabar to the management of the Gudalur Dispensary by Mr. Wade. They are also gratified at the success which has attended the Cochin Dispensary under Dr. Whitton, who, by judicious treatment of caste prejudices, has been able greatly to extend the benefits of the Institution.

3. The condition of the Tellicherry Hospital, the Government regret to observe, appears to be much less satisfactory. The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department, is requested to call the attention of the Civil Surgeon to Mr. Ballard's remarks in paragraph 6 of his letter, and to direct him to furnish an explanation of the causes which have led to the decrease in the number of patients in the Institution under his charge.

4. The attention of the Public Works Department will be requested to the delay which has occurred in the revision of the plans and estimates for the Mannantoddy Dispensary.

5. The matters noticed by Mr. Ballard, at the end of paragraphs 10 and 11, are under the consideration of Government.

(True Extract).

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Malabar.
„ Inspector General, Indian Medical Department.
„ Public Works Department.
„ Revenue Department.
To G. A. Ballard, Esq.

Exd. J. Wright.

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To

THE COLLECTOR OF MALABAR

&c.

Dated April, 2nd.

Recd.

G. O., 2nd April 1869, No. 417.

APRIL.

Nos. 8-9.

Reviewing the Report on the working of the several Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries in the Malabar District during 1868.

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Malabar Collector's Office
on circuit

Edawanna 22^d February 1869.

From,

G. A. Ballard Esq^r
Collector of Malabar

To,

The Honble R. S. Ellis. Esq.
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

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vide G.O. dated 19th
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vide Collector to Govt.
27th Oct. 1868 No. 1397
G.O. 27th Dec. 1868 No. 1527.

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vide Collector's letter
dated 2^d February
1869. No. 10.

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Your most Obedt. Servant,

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Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the
following letter from the Col.
-lector of Malabar.

(Here enter 22nd Feby. /69 No. 20 A.)

Order thereon. No 417 - 2 April /69.

The Right Honorable

the Governor in Council has
~~read with satisfaction~~
~~perused with much interest~~

the foregoing Report by the
Collector of Malabar, on the
condition of the several Civil
Hospitals within his charge.

There are at present in the
District seven of these In-
stitutions in working order.

There can be no question
and the Government consider

but that the comparatively wide
diffusion.

This phrase is very
pretty in its meaning
in this case it is
impossible to see
any "his word with
intimacy"

W.A.

A.S.

No 20 April /69

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from

The Collector of
malabar

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 22nd Feby
No 1st March 1869
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Submits annual
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of the Civil Hospitals
and dispensaries in
Malabar for the
year 1868

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" Pub. Works Dept. } *depts 10/11*
" Revenue Dept. }
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