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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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Dated	16-4-1869	

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16th April 1869.

No. 145. Proceedings of Government, dated 16th April 1869, No. 493.

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(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission in
„ Revenue Department.

Ed. A. S. Rodgers.

Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter

Dated 16 April 1869 N^o 493.

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Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC.

To

**THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION IN**

AC., &c., &c.

Dated April, 1869.

Recd.

For.

G. O., 16th April 1869, No. 493.

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ments to the *District Gazette*.

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Public Department

Memorandum for orders.

On looking over
the District Gazette, I ob-
serve that the proceedings
of Municipalities are publish-
ed in some of them but
not in the majority.

In an Order dated De-
cember 2^d, 1868, the Govern-
ment on a representation
from the Collector of Bithur,
sanctioned the publication
of the weekly or bi-monthly
proceedings of the Municipal
Commissioners in the Dis-
trict Gazette, free of charge.

I submit that it
would be advisable for the
sanction thus accorded

to

I would
act on this
suggestion which
appears to me
a good one.

A. S.

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To
The Presd. of the Muni-
cipal Commission in —
Revenue Depart - d/23/4.

to be extended to compul-
-sion. Some Municipalities
transact as little business
as possible, and others do
their work after a very
irregular fashion. An
order directing each Muni-
-cipality to publish in the
District Gazette, the names
of the members present,
and a list of the resolu-
-tions passed at its meetings
would act as a check on
indolence and irregularity.
4. No principle would
be sacrificed by so doing,
for the Government in the
Order quoted above conceded
to Municipalities the
right to publication of
their proceedings free
of

of charge. And it is only
an inefficient Municipal-
-ity which could look
upon publicity in the
light of interference
etc.

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Public

To The Pres. Genl. Comm. in

1869

Dated April 16 } 1869, No 49
Recd.

Nos. 145

Directing the Pres. of the
General Comm. to take
early measures for the
publication of the process.
Charge of all Remittances
as supplements to the
St. Gazette

No. 265

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 15th August 1868.

From

The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government, Public Dept.

Fort St. George.

SIR,

In submitting, for the favorable consideration of Government, the enclosed communication No. 63 of 6th instant - from the Principal of the Medical College, I have the honor to state that, from personal observation, I can fully endorse the ~~findings of Govt. Medical Department~~ opinion expressed by my predecessor Mr. Shaw, - that the removal, at any time, of Messrs. Wilkins and Harvey from the Medical College, where they have proved themselves most successful teachers, would be injurious to the interests of the College, and consequently to those of the Department generally; - while it would bring no corresponding advantage to the Military Establishment.

2. The effect of the recent reorganization of the Subordinate Medical Department on the position and pay of these warrant officers is fully explained in Mr. Smith's letter. - They must necessarily either forfeit the rank they at present hold, of "Sub Assistant Surgeon", - or forego the advantages attaching to their connection with the military portion.

portion of the Subordinate Medical Service,
and this latter alternative they have
expressed themselves unwilling to accept.

3. They must therefore, under the new
rules, revert to the grade of Apothecaries
of the 2nd Class, - but I would beg most
~~strongly to request that, on the grounds~~
stated by the Principal of the College,
their Staff allowance be raised from
Rupees 100 to Rupees 160 per mensem,
so as to compensate for the loss of pay
they must otherwise sustain.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt. Servt.

J. Maclean

Inspector General

Indian Med. Deptt.

1873
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No. 63

Madras Medical College.
6th August 1868.

From G. Smith Esq. M.D.

Principal.

To the Inspector General
Indian Medical Department.
Fort Saint George.

Sir, I have the honor to submit
for your consideration, and should
you approve the step, for trans-
mission to higher authority, the
enclosed communication from
the Examiner of Clinics which
shows that under the operation
of G.O. G.O. No 550 of 1868 the two
College Assistants marginally
noted will each be mulcted
of pay to the extent of Rupees (50)
Sixty per mensem.

R. McKinnon
Demonstrator of
Anatomy & Curator
of the Museum.

R. Harvey
Assistant to the
Professor of Chemistry.

Letter No 70-26 Feb 68.
vide Proceedings of
Govt Public Dept.
No 120 dated 18th March
1867.

By an order of Government
No 287 dated 18th March 1867
Messrs Wood Wickins and Harvey
were appointed Sub Assistant
Surgeons of the 2nd Class on the
recommendation of Principal
Inspector General Shaw on the
ground of the meritorious services
of these Medical Subordinates in
connection with the Medical Staff.

In sanctioning these appoint-
ments Government indicated that

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the promotion would be subject to any modifications which might be found necessary on the reorganization of the Subordinate Medical Department.

Under the operation of this order Second Apothecary Wilkins and Assistant Apothecary Harvey were promoted to the grade of Sub-Assistant Surgeons of the Second Class and received the pay of that grade namely Rupees 210, along with their staff allowance of Rupees 100 as College Assistants. Total Rupees 310 per mensem.

The reorganization of the Medical Subordinate Department under the operation of G.O.G. No 550 of 1868 has led to material changes in the subordinate departments and amongst others to the reduction of Sub-Assistant Surgeons Wilkins and Harvey to the grade of Apothecaries of the 2^d Class, and to the curtailment of their pay from Rupees 210 to Rupees 150 per mensem.

Under the new rules the grade of Sub-Assistant Surgeon is to be purely a "Civil" one and as the assistants of the College already referred to are unwilling to abandon the many advantages attaching to Medical Warrant Officers. I would make no request for the retention of their present

rank

rank, if that retention implied their removal from the list of Subordinate Warrant Officers, but I would solicit that as special cases of promotion, secured by eminent services and by meritorious exertions, the difference of Rupees 60 per mensem be made up to them in such way as shall seem best to authority, either by increasing their pay to Rupees 210 per mensem or what seems to me the better plan by raising their staff pay from Rupees 100 to Rupees 160 per mensem from the 27th May 1868.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

W. J. W. M.D.
Principal

Nov 11 1860

Friend Mr. (Rev. John C)
Hedden (C. G. Hays)
To the Anti-Slavery
and West Hill.

Dear Sir: I beg to
acknowledge the receipt of

Nov 63

Receipts that the
Rev. John C. Hays
to whom the sum of
\$100.00 has been
paid for the purchase
of the same. I am
very respectfully
yours

Wm. L. G. Hays
Nov 11 1860

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Madras District Magistrate's
Office Syapet 7th April 1869

From,

G. J. R. Fane Esquire,
President of the Municipal Comm.
Doyeriand.

To, The Honorable R. S. Ellis C. B.
Chief Secretary to Government

Sir,

With reference to your under
Secretary's official Memo No 139 of the 5th
Instant, I have the honor to state that the
Municipal Estimates of Receipts and
Charges for the year 1869-70 has been
transmitted to the Secretary to Government
P. W. Department on the 1st Idem as
directed in the order of Government under
date the 31st August last No 1080.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant

J. Fane -
Passio. 5

Ahobalam. 13 Ahobalam is situated in the
Chivall Taluk, about 35 miles south of
Mandial. There are two temples (Padda
Ahobalam, in thick jungle in the
Mallamala Hills, and Chinnahobala
Ahobalam at the foot of the hills. They are
about 8 miles distant from any
inhabited villages.

14 The festival, Brahma Vachanam,
commenced on the 27th February, and
lasted till the 11th March, thirteen days.

15 An immense number of Pilgrims
attended, amounting to probably 10,000
in all. They did not all arrive together,
the daily attendance varying from
about 400 to 600. They generally
returned to their villages after attend-
ing the feast and bathing. The
number of barchies did not exceed
any day 150.

16 Sheds were erected near Chinnahobala
Ahobalam temple, on elevated ground
previously selected. The site was laid
out in divisions separated by streets
assigned to different castes.

17 Latrines similar to those at
Mahanandi, were constructed and
partly

partly filled in daily, and finally quite filled up.

18 The following conveyance of 240-
bushings were employed.

14 16 March	11 scavengers
5 16 do—	11 do—
6 16 do—	12 do—
7 16 do—	12 do—
8 16 do—	12 do—
9 16 do—	11 do—
10 16 do—	11 do—

19 The water of the river Banahassi
at Pidda Athobalaini, formed the supply.
The water of the higher portions of the
river being used for drinking
and domestic purposes, and that
of the lower for bathing and cattle.
At Chinnava Athobalaini there is a
pond and also a well. The former
only was used for drinking and
domestic purposes, and the latter
for all others.

20 There was no medical Officer
available. The Irrigation Company
were not able to send their Doctor,
and the Doctor attached to my
establishment was required to.

C. S. S. S. S.

Chinnava, where cholera had made
its appearance. I am however glad
to report that there was no case of
sickness during the whole of the
festival, which in great part is due
to the sanitary arrangements made
by Deputy Collector Sudrasana Rao,
and Venkata Raghavaram Saide,
Tahsildar of the Tiruvallur Taluk.

21 Only one accident occurred,
and that was caused by a man
falling from the top of a very precipi-
tuous and dangerous hill, up which
he had climbed to procure some
- ~~valuable relic~~. This fall proved fatal.

After the accident, which was not
fore seen, pilgrims were prevented
from climbing up this hill.

22 The presence of the Police Inspector
and some constables, had as benefi-
- cial an effect as at Channarayana,
and no crime of any kind what-
- ever took place.

23 The expenses attendant on this
festival amounted to only Rs 86-3-6.
as detailed in the Bill marked
B, which I request the Government

to

No. 106

Gurwood Magistrate's Office

10th April 1869

Sir,

J. A. Chase Esq.

Magistrate of Gurwood.

To,

The Chief Secretary
to Government

Fort Saint George

Sir,

With reference to Government Order No. 1421 dated 17th November 1868, regarding the sanitary precautions to be observed during festivals when large crowds of people collect, I have the honor to report Deputy Magistrate Sundersana Row's proceedings regarding the festivals at Mahanandy in the Sandial Taluk, and Chobalam in the Sivell Taluk.

Mahanandy, 2 The temple of Mahanandy is situated at the foot of the Stallamalg Hills in the jungles, at a distance of about 8 miles to the east of Sandial. There are no villages within 6 miles of the temple. The festival celebrated here was the Sivaratni. It commenced on the 9th February, and terminated on the 11th, but several Pilgrims did

not

not leave till after the 11th. So it would be more correct to say that the gathering of the people extended from the 9th to the 19th inclusive, that is, four days.

3 The estimated number of persons ~~was not less than~~ 5000, and there were some 700 or 800 bandies.

4 High and dry ground was selected for the accommodations of the Pilgrims, near a supply of pure water, and the jungle cleared, to the west of the temple at a distance of 20 chains.

5 The site so prepared was laid out into 10 streets, the breadth of each being 20 feet in which ~~shed~~

6 Different sections were assigned to different castes, each knowing from legible sign boards the portions allotted for its accommodations. Away from the sheds a large plain was set apart for bandies, and bullocks, and separate places were chosen for shops of the different trades represented during the festival.

7 Long trenches two feet deep, and 3 feet wide, were dug, for the purpose of

male

male and female latrines, and decency was secured by enclosing them with branches and leaves from the jungle. The earth dug from the trenches was stored at the side and portions daily shovelled in to cover the night soil. After the festival was over, these trenches were entirely covered up and refilled.

8 For the disposal of rubbish and filth other pits were dug. The following establishment for the conservancy was organised.

9th February — 30 Sweepers.

10th do — 28 do

11th do — 23 do

9 In the temple of Mahanandya there is a perennial spring, from which runs a stream which fills a large cistern, and from that are two channels which carry water, to some distance for irrigation. For drinking and domestic purposes the water in the cistern was used, and that of the two channels for cattle and all other purposes. Care was taken to prevent the water being in any way fouled.

10 We are indebted to Mr. Ross —

Executive

Executive Engineer, of the Irrigation
and Canal Company, for allowing
his decessor to attend the festival as
Sanitary Officer. He proved himself
very careful and attentive to the
particular work entrusted to him, I
am very glad to say there were no
casualties, or accidents, or sickness
of any kind. — One child only was
said to have died from convulsions.

11 Notices in the vernacular were
posted up, and also distributed to the
Pilgrims informing what steps had
been taken for their accommodation,
and pointing out the sites of the
hospital, bazaar, caste sheds &c.
The Police under the charge of Inspector
Thorp, did their work admirably,
so much so that not one single
crime was committed during the
four days when such a large
concourse took place.

12 I forward a detailed account Bill
of the money spent at Maharaudy
amounting to Rs 112-12-0 for which
I request the sanction of
Government.