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5th May 1870.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 15. From the Acting Collector of South Canara, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Mangalore, 10th February 1870, No. 148.

With reference to the Proceedings of Government, dated 5th April 1867, No. 358, Public Department, the Acting Zillah Surgeon

• Dated 1st Jan. 1870.

has sent me a copy of his annual Report* on the working of the Civil Dispensary at Mangalore, and I have the honour to append the following remarks :—

2. The Zillah Surgeon concludes, from the figured statement of attendance, that the institution has the confidence of the people. This is a line of argument to which I am precluded from replying. I can only state that the view thence derived is singularly at variance with the opinions communicated to me by the community among whom I move, and that they impute the disrepute of the Dispensary to the indolence of the dresser in charge.

3. This my opinion I have sometime since communicated to the Zillah Surgeon, but he judges otherwise. I cannot but think he is mistaken, and that his residence has been all too short to enable him to judge; but be that as it may, I am satisfied that, under his careful scrutiny and cordial interest, indolent indifference will not be suffered for the future.

4. The question of the urgently required female latrine has been promptly laid before the Committee, and will receive early attention.

5. That the meetings of the Committee were few, was the natural consequence of the public want of interest in the institution.

6. The arrears written off were composed mainly of a few large sums, as well as a fair sprinkling of smaller ones, promised years ago, and only too long retained on the books in the vain hope of realization. The promises seem to have been elicited by the general confidence reposed in the kind and attentive care and energy of the then Zillah Surgeon Dr. King. They may be revived under the present officer.

7. If "pressure" be applied, subscriptions whether in advance or arrears cease to be "voluntary," and I cannot think that "pressure" in such matters can be either "judicious" or "fair." The ruler that resorts to it must necessarily lose the confidence of the people, and his influence among them for good.

8. I do not see that any poor man can be properly refused treatment, and thus vicariously punished for the offence of his master in being a wealthy official not subscribing.

9. The Zillah Surgeon is mistaken in saying the Municipality contributes nothing, and only taxes the institution. Though formerly this was the case it is not so now. The claims of the Civil Dispensary for a contribution from Municipal Funds towards its maintenance were brought by me to the special notice of the Municipal Commissioners so far back as April 1869, and thereupon the Commissioners unanimously subscribed an annual donation of Rupees 75. This amount the Municipal Commissioners have not, however, yet been able to pay, the state of the Municipa-

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funds not permitting of its disbursement till this date; but it will probably be discharged in the course of this or the next month.

10. As to the house-tax of Rupees 25-8-0 per annum levied by the Municipality on the Civil Dispensary buildings, it is simply the result of the strict application of the law, there being no exemption in the Towns' Improvement Act in favour of buildings used as Civil Dispensaries. The Commissioners have, however, resolved to compensate the institution for this by adding an equal amount to their annual contribution, thus raising it to Rupees 100.

11. The proposal to saddle the Municipality of one town with the whole local cost of the medical aid afforded to patients coming from all parts of the entire district, strikes me as inequitable.

12. If the contribution is to be involuntary as suggested, it would be more equal if distributed over the whole people. But this subject has already been carefully considered by the G. O., 20th May 1869, No. 1419, R. D., para. 1. Board of Revenue and the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department, and submitted to Government.

13. It should be borne in mind that the English system of medicine has made no more progress among the masses in this country than has Homœopathy in England.

No. 16. From the Acting Collector of South Canara, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Mangalore, 18th March 1870, No. 243.

I have the honour to submit a copy of the Medical Report on the working of the Civil Dispensary at Mangalore for 1869, called for in the Under Secretary's Official Memorandum of the 17th ultimo, No. 41.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, 5th May 1870, No. 565.

The Government learn, from the Annual Report of the Civil Dispensary at Mangalore for 1869, that the total number of patients who obtained medical aid during the year amounted to 3583, against 3766 in 1868; but comparing the number treated in 1869 with the average number treated during the years 1865, 1866, and 1867, it is observed that there was an increase of 805.

	RS.
1865.....	1,952
1866.....	2,843
1867.....	3,541
	8,336
Average...	
	2,778

2. In the opinion of the Acting Collector the interest felt by the natives in the institution has been diminished by the apathy of the dresser. The Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department will be requested to call for a report on the conduct and ability of this medical subordinate, and will impress upon the Zillah Surgeon of Mangalore the importance of bringing any deficiency on the part of the dresser to early notice.

3. No account-current of the receipts and disbursements during the year has been submitted, and the precise financial condition of the Dispensary cannot, therefore, be ascertained; but it appears, from the statement embodied in paragraph

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11 of the Annual Report, that there has been a considerable falling off in the subscriptions from natives as compared with 1865, although the subscriptions given both by Europeans* and Natives† in 1869 contrast favourably with the subscriptions given in the two preceding years 1867‡ and 1868.§

	RS.
1865.....	1,828
1869.....	760
	1869.
* Rs.	350
† „	700
‡ „	294
§ „	536
§ „	297
§ „	415

4. In their Order, dated the 3rd September 1869, No. 1239, the Government accorded their sanction to the Mangalore Municipality, contributing a sum of Rupees 150 annually towards the Dispensary at Mangalore. On the revision of the Towns' Improvement Act the main provision of funds for the support of the Dispensary will probably devolve upon the Municipal Commissioners who may be expected to adopt such measures as will ensure the Dispensary being maintained in an efficient state.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Acting Collector of South Canara.
„ Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department.
„ President of the Municipal Commission, Mangalore.

Ed. J. Wright.

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From

The Medical Officer

34th Regiment C.L.I.

Bellary

To

The Deputy Inspector General I.M. &

Mysore and Coedict Districts

Bangalore

Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of the Inspector General I.M. & D. that in obedience to D.O. of 2nd March 1869 I proceeded to Hampi on the evening of the 20th ultimo and arrived there on the 22nd.

2 On my first inspection of the town and vicinity, I found preparations had commenced for the reception of pilgrims but not completed. Latrines surrounded by walls had been constructed in 10 different places for public use, and also for certain classes, whom it was thought would willingly pay a small fee for a little privacy. This idea was found to be fallacious, as not a single ticket was sold, and the 1st class latrines were subsequently made public.

3 The scavengers were set to work the 2nd day of my arrival and the large street where the Car procession was to take place was thoroughly cleaned and all decaying vegetation &c was burnt up, this clearing process was likewise carried out wherever the pilgrims congregated.

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Receiving letter from the Medical Officer 34th Regiment (Chicore Light Infantry, report the sanitary arrangements adopted during festival at Hampi.

4 I visited the town and the ruins daily. No epidemic of any kind occurred and but a few cases of sickness (63 in all) chiefly Yaws were treated by Mr. McHenry.

5 The Tahsildar was very energetic in his endeavours to carry out the rules and the Police (50 strong) appear to have done their best to render every aid in their power.

6 An abundant supply of water was let into the various channels and were carefully guarded to prevent the drinking places being contaminated.

7 Pilgrims began to arrive on the 24th and by the 27th the Car day the maximum number was attained. Considerably below 10000 I should think. The following day 28th a large rain fell and the evening of the 31st but a few hundreds remained. On that date I returned to Bellary.

8 I left instructions with Mr. Apothary, Mr. Henry to remain until Saturday and see the latrines filled in which he now reports he did and that the town was cleared.

Bellary
6th April 1869

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedt. Servant

R. Arnold
Surgeon

34th Regiment C.L.I.

W.M. M.

Aty Joseph J. M. D. S.
My & Co.

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Memorandum

Forwarded to the Chief Secretary for submission to Government, with reference to their Proceedings in the Public Department No. 146 of 2nd Feb last.
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The Medical Officer
34th Regiment
Bellary

To
The Dy-Supt. Genl. I. M. S.
My son and child visited
Bangalore
Dated 6th April 1869
are vol. 7. no 751.
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