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Government of Madras.

Police DEPARTMENT.

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No. 108. Read the following letter from the Honorary Secretary to the Census Committee, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 24th January 1870.

I have the honour, by direction of the Census Committee, to inform you that they propose to utilize the months which will precede the census operations in November and January next, in the conduct of some of the subsidiary inquiries which were referred to in their first memorandum. Foremost among these the Committee deem it necessary to construct regular tables of mortality for the great classes of the population. There is not, as far as the Committee are aware, any existing tables showing the death rates at all ages even for Europeans in this country; while for the Eurasians and Natives there is positively no attempt at such a classification. But the advantages to be gained by such a table are so numerous and important that the Committee need not occupy your time by describing them, except to say that, in all European countries, expensive departments have been organized under high scientific superintendence for the purpose of gathering and analyzing all information that will bear upon the subject. The Committee propose to abstract and tabulate all trustworthy registers within their reach, and have already received most gratifying support from the Lord Bishop of Madras, and the Roman Catholic Vicar Apostolic. The registers under their control are, however, limited both in numbers and nationality. Beyond them the registers of the Military and Civil Pension Officers will afford a great mass of details for ages above thirty years. Other Government departments possess registers of great value which it would be profitable to tabulate. It must, however, be noted that none of these contain, as a rule, information concerning *children* of the Hindoo and Mussulman communities, and yet it is for ages under fifteen, that accurate knowledge is most to be desired. For this period of life it seems impossible to obtain information except by a direct appeal to those classes who, from a knowledge of English and official training, may be supposed to appreciate the value of the results to be obtained sufficiently to induce them to make a correct return. But even such an appeal would lose half its force if there were room for the idea that Government was indifferent as to its success. The Committee feel sure that to ask too much is to ensure failure, and would, therefore, only desire the following items:—

Number of boys born in the family.

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Ages at death of those who died. The same would be asked for girls. No names would be required except the signature of the Government servant who supplied the details.

2. The Committee think that if all Government servants, drawing a salary of more than 30 rupees, were called upon to present such a return they would, together, furnish a mass of information sufficiently large and accurate to permit the deduction of many highly valuable laws. I am, therefore, to request that Government will be pleased to desire the Heads of Departments to aid the Committee in the distribution and collection of the returns, and urge upon their subordinates the importance of giving careful attention to the matter. The Committee will provide

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the forms, upon the back of which all necessary instructions will be given. The Committee further beg that instructions may be issued to facilitate the examination and tabulation of the pension and other registers.

3. In order to avoid frequent reference to Government the Committee desire to sketch at this time the other inquiries they propose to undertake, for which reference to Government departments will be necessary:—

Statistics of Religion, showing the attendance, membership, endowment, and government of every place of worship.

Statistics of Education, giving similar particulars of all places of education.

Statistics of Trade, exhibiting the extent, value, and progress of internal and external commerce.

Statistics of Income, showing the means of support of the population of the city, with especial reference to the influence of Government employment upon the prosperity of the city.

Statistics of Taxation, exhibiting the ratio in which the inhabitants of Madras contribute to the Imperial, Local, and Municipal expenditure.

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Brief History of the City.

By these and other means the Committee hope to be able to render a tolerably complete account of the present position of the city, and thus pave the way for the construction of a complete set of vital and social statistics.

No. 109. ORDER THEREON, 22nd February 1870, No. 228.

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(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission for the Town of Madras.
To the

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of {1870} Madras.

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To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
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Dated February, 22nd.

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Directing Heads of Offices to afford the Madras
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Madras, Jan 24 1870

Charles E. Gover, Esq.,

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Charles E. Gover
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Public DEPARTMENT.

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Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, for information and guidance and for communication to the Subordinate Officers.....			
Protector of Emigrants.....			
Tamil Translator to Government.....			
Telugoo do. to do.....			
Malayalim do. to do.....			
Canarese do. to do.....			
Persian do. to do.....			
Government Astronomer.....			
Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor.....			
Officer in charge of Government Central Museum.			
Chemical Examiner.....			
Superintendent of Stationery.....			
Superintendent of the Government Press.....			
Municipal Commissioner..... <i>Madras</i>			
Postmaster General.....			
Superintendent Electric Telegraphs.....			
<i>Secretary Commission</i>			
<i>Honble M. S. C.</i>			
Judges of the Court of Sudder and Foujdaree Udut, for information and guidance and for communication to the Subordinate Officers.....			
Inspector General of Madras Police..... do. do. do.			
Inspector General of Jails..... do. do. do.			
Commissioner of Police.....			
Magistrate of Police, 1st District..... <i>Tamil</i>			
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Judges of the Madras Court of Small Causes.....			
Advocate General.....			
Government Solicitor.....			
Government Pleader.....			
Administrator General.....			
Chief Clerk of the Sudder Court.....			
Coroner of Madras.....			
Sheriff of Madras.....			
Clerk of the Council for making Laws.....			
Registrar of the Supreme Court.....			
Clerk of the Crown.....			
<i>Registrar Genl of Madras</i>			
<i>Political.</i>			
Resident of Tanjavore and Coshin.....			
Government Agent at Chepauk.....			
Government Agent at Tanjavore.....			
Political Agent at Pooducottah.....			
Collector in charge of the Special Agent's Department at Cuddalore.....			
Officer in charge of the Sudder Pay Office at Vellore.....			
<i>Ecclesiastical.</i>			
The Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras.....			
Venerable Archdeacon of Madras.....			
Senior Chaplain of the Church of Scotland.....			

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Marine.	<i>Marine</i> President of Marine for information and communication to the Subordinate Officers.			
Financial.	Minister...			
	Assay Master			
	Departmental Accountant General			
	Civil Registrar			
	Secretary, Government Savings Bank			
	Commissioner of the Department of Issue of Paper Currency			
Railway.	General Manager for Railways			
Educational.	Director of Public Instruction			
	Commissioner of the Uncovenanted Service Examination			
Revenue.	Revenue Board for information and for communication to the Subordinate Officers			
	Director of Revenue Settlement	do.	do.	
	Superintendent of Revenue Survey	do.	do.	
	Commissioner of Inam	do.	do.	
	Conservator of Forests			
	Reporter of Internal Commerce			
	Commissioners of Income Tax			
	Superintendent Government Gardens, Ootacamund			
	Superintendent of Stamps			
Pub. Works.	Chief Engineer, Department Public Works	do.	do.	
	Commandant of Engineers			
	Consulting Engineer, Irrigation and Canal Company			
Military.	Controller of Military Finance	do.	do.	
	Adjutant General of the Army	do.	do.	
	Quarter Master General of the Army	do.	do.	
	Deputy Adjutant General Her Majesty's Forces	do.	do.	
	Deputy Quarter Master General	do.	do.	
	Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines	do.	do.	
	Superintendent Gun Carriage Manufactory			
	Superintendent Gun Powder	do.		
	Military Accountant			
	Paymaster Presidency			
	Examiner of Medical Accounts			
	Brigade Major			
	Fort Adjutant			
	Commissary General	do.	do.	
	Examiner of Commissariat Accounts			
	Judge Advocate General			
	Superintendent of Family Payments and Pensions			
	Superintendent and Agent for Army Clothing			
	Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief			
	Barrack Master, Presidency			

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