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Dated	5-5-	1970

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5th May 1870.

No. 22. Read the following letter from the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, — April 1870, No. 473 :—

In forwarding, for information, the accompanying copy of a letter addressed to the President of the Municipal Commission, I have the honour to state that I am unwilling to recommend any further outlay by Government on the construction of a fence round the compound of the Women and Childrens' Hospital, until it can be determined whether the Municipal authorities have not the power of dealing effectively with owners of property who, by neglecting their enclosure fences, allow their lands to become in a filthy condition.

From the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, dated Madras, 27th April 1870.

I have the honour to bring to your notice the very defective conservancy of the Parcherry or collection of huts immediately to the north of the Women and Childrens' Hospital in Vepery. As the want of latrine arrangements for this place is likely to be prejudicial to the health of the inmates of the hospital, I beg that you will use the powers given you under the Municipal Act, Section 138, to improve the sanitary state of the locality.

2. The boundary hedge of the hospital compound, between it and the village referred to, is really no fence at all, and the inhabitants of the village and others are in the habit of making a common thoroughfare and a common privy of the hospital grounds. These grounds were, when I inspected the place yesterday morning, filthy in the extreme from the habitual resort of the villagers thither for purposes of nature.

3. I am not quite sure whether the Section of the Act I have referred to empowers you to call on the owner of the property to maintain such a fence around his grounds as shall prevent the outside public from defiling the surface. If the Act of 1867 contains no provision for insisting on the enclosure of private property, I would submit, for the consideration of the Municipal Commissioners, that, in a sanitary point of view, this limitation of the powers of the Commissioners is a grave defect, and one which may seriously embarrass them in their efforts to maintain the straggling grounds of this city in a wholesome state.

4. The hospital is rented by the Government, and a good deal of public money has been expended on it lately, in alterations and additions to the buildings, so as to serve for the requirements of a Womens' Hospital. The defilement of the neighbourhood, however, is, in my opinion, likely to be very prejudicial to the welfare of the sick, and any steps you can take for the conservancy of the village, and any power you may possess to compel the owner of the property to maintain a boundary fence, may, I think, be rightly adopted.

No. 23. ORDER THEREON, 5th May 1870, No. 568.

To be recorded.

(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 473

OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,

Madras, April

1870

From

The Sanitary Commissioner for Madras,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department
Fort Saint George

Sir,

In forwarding for information the accompanying copy of a letter addressed to the President of the Municipal Commission, I have the honor to state that I am unwilling to recommend any further outlay by Government, on the construction of a fence round the compound of the Women and Children Hospital, until it can be determined whether the Municipal authorities have not the power of dealing effectively with owners of property who, by neglecting their enclosures, allow their lands to become in a filthy condition.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

W. M. S. R. C. S.

Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras

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Dated May, 5th.

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G. O., 5th May 1870, No. 568.

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Recording letter from the Sanitary Commissioner, forwarding copy of a letter addressed by him to the President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, regarding the defective conservancy, &c., of the Parvathy immediately to the north of the Women and Children Hospital in Vepery.

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From

The Sanitary Commissioner

for Madras,

To

The Chief Secretary to Govt.

Public Department

And Mr. George

Dated

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Enclosures.

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Enclosure 14

Forwards copy of a letter

addressed to the President of the

Municipal Corporation, Madras,

on the construction of a fence

round the compound of the

Hospital for leprosy and other

venereal diseases for information

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Recording letter from the Sanitary
Committee forwarding copy of a
letter addressed by him to the
Presd. of the Municipal Committee
regarding the defective conservancy
part of the part of the city immediately
to the north of the women and
children's Hospital in the Vepery.