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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No.	929.	Press Mis.
Dated	27-7-	1870.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government. Public Department,
27th July 1870.*

No. 118. Read the following letter from the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Fort Saint George, 1st July 1870, No. 153 :—

I have the honour to bring to the notice of Government the following circumstances :—

2. The Physician, General Hospital, in submitting his annual Financial Statement for the past year, pointed out that there was a balance of Rupees 446-6-0 due by the Master Attendant's Department, on account of the dieting of seamen in the Hospital.

3. On addressing the Master Attendant on the subject, he has stated that there is no prospect of the outstanding balance being paid, and that his inability to make some of the recoveries has arisen, from the want of punctuality on the part of the Hospital authorities in delivering the diet bills to him, and from the *Discharge Certificate* not affording any information as to the nature and cause of the disease, for which the sailor was treated.

4. I have made strict inquiry regarding the alleged delay in forwarding the diet bills, and Dr. Smith reports that they "are invariably submitted to the Master Attendant on the day of the discharge of a seaman." On referring this to the Master Attendant he stated that, in some cases, "his department had been obliged to ask the Hospital authorities to expedite these bills," and mentioned several instances in which delay had occurred. Dr. Smith was on this again called on for explanation, when he pointed out that the cases referred to took place in the present, and not the past, year, and that in four out of the seven instances cited, the bills had been delivered and acknowledged by the Master Attendant's Department on the day the seaman left Hospital.

5. With reference to the Discharge Certificate I have to observe that hitherto no exception has been taken to the existing form ; but I have requested the Master Attendant to propose, and the Physician, General Hospital, to adopt any form likely to facilitate such recoveries.

6. In paragraph 8 of their Order, dated the 28th September 1865, No. 1016, Government directed that the Superintendent of Marine should, in all cases, when sick seamen are sent to the General Hospital, get the admission order signed by the Agents of the ship. Were this rule strictly adhered to, it appears to me that there would be no difficulty in making recoveries for dieting, and that losses such as those now reported would not result to Government.

No. 119. ORDER THEREON, 27th July 1870, No. 929.

The attention of the Acting Master Attendant at Madras will be drawn to the rule laid down in paragraph 8 of G. O., Public Department, dated the 28th September 1865, No. 1016, in view to a strict observance of the same in future.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Acting Master Attendant, Madras.

„ Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

Fort Saint George,

1870.

From

The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

To

The Chief Secretary to Government, Public Dept.

Fort Saint George.

SIR,

I have the honor to bring to the notice of Government the following circumstances.

2. The Physician General Hospital, in submitting his annual Financial Statement for the past year, pointed out, that there was a balance of Rs 416-6- due by the Master Attendants Department, on account of the dieting of seamen in the Hospital.

3. On addressing the Master Attendant on the subject, he has stated that there is no prospect of the outstanding balance being paid, and that his inability to make some of the recoveries has arisen from the want of punctuality on the part of the hospital authorities in delivering the diet bills to him, and from their Discharge Certificate not affording any information, as to the nature and cause of the disease, for which the sailor was treated.

Bolt. of 1870: Madras

PUBLIC.

To

THE ACTING MASTER ATTENDANT,

Madras

Cc., &c., &c.

Dated July, 27th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 27th July 1870, No. 929.

JULY.

Nos. 118-119.

Directing the attention of the Acting Master Attendant, Madras, to paragraph 8 of G. O., Public Department, dated 28th September 1865, No. 1016, with reference to the letter of the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department, bringing to notice the inability of the former to pay certain moneys due on account of the dieting of seamen in the General Hospital.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
H. Maclellan
Inspector General
Indian Medical Department

C. P. 12th Nov 68

No 28 Sept 1857-1859

No. 1890
Dept.

From
The Inspector General,
Indian Medical Department,
Fort Saint George,

To
Chief
The Secretary to Government,
Department,
Fort Saint George.

Dated
Received
1st Aug
1857

No. 105.

No 1090.

Order. 27th Aug 1857

Be attention to the following
which attention is given
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down in paragraph 8 of 8.0
Public Department of the 28th
Sept 1857. In 1816. in view to
a third observation of the same
in future.

W.H.

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The Master Attendant, Madras,
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Dated July. 27.

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G. O. 27. July. 1870, No 929.

Nos. 11. 17.

Directing the attention of the
Mg. Master Attendant, Madras,
to para 8 of the Public Dept. 728.
Lp. attached, with reference to
the letter of the Secy. Genl. d. 5.
has been directed to make the
necessary arrangements to pay
certain amounts due on account of

the disking of the land in
the General Hospital.