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Government of Madras.

Finance **DEPARTMENT.**

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18th July 1871.

No. 148. Read the following letter from the Collector of North Arcot, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Chittoor, 29th June 1871, No. 53:—

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of Government, dated 14th instant, No. 829, passing orders in connexion with the proposal of Dr. Scudder to establish a native Lying-in Hospital at Ranipett.

2. I have the greatest desire that this experiment should be facilitated in every possible way, as I feel confident that, under Dr. Scudder's direction, it will be conducted under all the conditions most favourable to ultimate success. At the same time, there appears to me to be the same doubt as to the application of Lungerkhana

funds to such purpose as that noticed in the accompanying copy of a letter* addressed by me to the Board on the question of transferring to local funds the annual allotments made from these endowments for the maintenance of the Dispensaries at Ranipett and Vellore.

3. If the Government see no risk in further augmenting the allotments already diverted from the original purposes of these old native benefactions, such additional appropriation could not be made for a more useful object.

From the Collector of North Arcot, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Chittoor, 28th June 1871, No. 343.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th ultimo, No. 1755, communicating the orders of Government by which the charges of medical establishment in certain cases have been transferred from "Imperial" to "Provincial Services," I have the honour to request you will be good enough to bring under re-consideration the question whether the Imperial Government can thus in good faith, with long-standing engagements, transfer to local funds the maintenance of the Vellore and Ranipett Dispensaries.

2. The history of these institutions is so fully told in the correspondence noted in the margin that I need not here recapitulate it further than

From the Board, 18th March	1850.
To " 9th August	"
From " 16th September	"
To " 18th "	"
From " 21st October	"
From " 5th February	1852.
From " 24th June	"
To " 19th August	"
From " 16th December	"
To " 23rd "	"
From " 29th May	1854.
To " 25th February	1856, No. 25.
To " 6th December	" 251.
From " 3rd February	1859, " 409.
From " 1st October	" 3958.
From " 15th "	" 4193.
From " 2nd November	" 5432.
From " 2nd July	1860, " 3041.
To " 2nd August	" 179.
From " 4th March	1861, " 1228.
From " 31st July	" "
From " 16th October	" 5663.
From " 8th May	" 2355.
To " 8th August	" 189.
From " 18th January	1862, " 429.
To Government, 23rd March	1865.
From " 2nd October	"
To the Board, 4th November	1865.
From " 4th July	1867, No. 4170.

in recalling the attention of the Board to the fact that both dispensaries are mere branches of the old native Lungerkhana endowments at those stations, and are in fact dependent for their existence on funds apportioned out of these same annual Lungerkhana endowments.

3. The establishment of these two dispensaries by a partial diversion of the endowment funds has, as a measure of reform, probably been all that Mr. Bourdillon anticipated it would be when he had it carried out; but it appears to me questionable whether any result, however favourable, would make it safe to follow out such a precedent now. As it was, the Board will find, from the correspondence already quoted, that the attempt to give to the assignment of endowment funds so made a grant-in-aid character failed entirely, and that both dispensaries depend

or support on that assignment unsupplemented by any other source.

4. The local records do not, so far as I have been able to discover, give the earlier history of these Lungerkhana endowments, but they are of considerable antiquity, and were in existence

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prior to our assumption of the country, and as such their maintenance is among the obligations which then devolved upon the British Government as the paramount power, and for the due performance of which it thenceforth became responsible.

5. If I am right in these premises, it would seem to follow that the maintenance of these two dispensaries should be provided as heretofore from the "Imperial" Treasury, and cannot be regarded as a charge transferable to local funds as now ordered by the Government.

6. As already observed the origin of these Lungerkhana endowments is not traceable in the records of this district, but may doubtless be ascertained from the archives of the Government Office.

7. From the absence of any information on this point, in the voluminous correspondence already quoted in this letter, it may be assumed that the obscurity which veils the earlier history of these two old native endowments is not due to any want of research on the part of the District Officers who have, from time to time, taken part in the correspondence relating to them and to the two ancillary institutions which owe their existence to them.

8. In bringing the question under re-consideration, I merely desire to fulfil my duty as guardian of the interests of the local fund of the district, and am prepared to carry out instructions in the event of the Government deciding that there is nothing in the circumstances of these instructions which should exclude them from the general arrangement.

9. In conclusion, I may observe that the same doubt presents itself to my mind in respect to

From the Board, 23rd August 1867, No 5477, communicating G. O. of 17th August, No. 1920.

From the Board of 30th September, No. 6239.

Do. " 20th January 1868, No. 440.

Do. " 13th May 1868, No. 3587, communicating G. O. of 7th May 1868, No. 1254.

From Government of 14th February, No. 18.

To the Board of 28th October 1869, No. 222.

To the " of 22nd July 1870, No. 211.

From the Board, 8rd November 1870, Mis. No. 1857.

the orphanage at Arcot, which, as may be gathered from the correspondence noted in the margin, partakes of the character of an old native endowment to which pertain certain imperial guarantees which may not be transferable under the arrangements which I am instructed to carry out.

No. 149. ORDER THEREON, 18th July 1871, No. 1082.

The Government observe that no change whatever in the management or provision of funds from the Lungerkhana endowment for the Ranipett and Vellore Dispensaries was contemplated by the G. O. of 17th April 1871, No. 491, which is referred to in the Collector's letter to the Board, of which copy is submitted.

2. The maintenance of the charities will proceed precisely as hitherto. All that the G. O. decided was that the expenditure should *as hitherto* be accounted for under *Local Funds* and not under Municipalities. The Collector will furnish the information required by Government as to whether any Lungerkhana surplus is available for the proposed lying-in ward at Ranipett.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of North Arcot.

Ed. J. Wright.

No. 53

Chittoor 29 June 1871.
 From J. D. Robinson Esquire,
 Collector of North Arcot.

To W. H. Huddleston Esquire,
 Chief Secretary to
 Government
 Fort Saint George.

Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Proceedings of Government dated 14 Instant No 829 passing orders in connection with the proposal of Doctor Saunders to establish a Native Lying-in Hospital at Caripet.

I have the greatest desire that this experiment should be facilitated in every possible way, as I feel confident that under Dr. Saunders' direction it will be conducted under all the conditions most favorable to ultimate success. At the same time there appears to me to be the same doubt as to the application of Langurkhanah Funds to such purpose.

Obdt. of 118713 Mdras.

PUBLIC.

To THE COLLECTOR OF NORTH ARCOT.

Dated July, 1871.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 18th July 1871, No. 1082.

JULY.

Nos. 148-149.

Intimating that no change whatever in the management or provision of funds from the Langurkhanah endowment for the Ranipet and Vellore Dispensaries was contemplated by G. O., dated 17th April 1871, No. 491, and requesting that the information required in G. O., No. 829 of 1871, as to whether any Langurkhanah surplus is available for the proposed native Lying-in Hospital at Ranipet may be furnished.

- goes as that noticed in the accompanying
 copy of a letter addressed by me to the
 the Board on the question of transferring
 to Local Funds the annual allotments
 made from these endowments for the
 maintenance of the Dispensary at
 Canipeth and Vellere.

3. If the Government see no risk
 in further augmenting the allotments al-
 ready diverted from the original pur-
 - poses of these old native benefactions,
 such additional appropriation could
 not be made for a more useful object.

I have the honor to be,
 Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant,

J. C. M. C. in the

North West
 Charles's office
 London 17 June
 1871

Sir Henry Chief Secretary
 to the Government
 Fort Saint George

Date 28 June
 1871 No 343.

No such transfers having
 yet been made or are intended
 By an order apparently in S.O.
 17th April 1871 the sum received
 by Dr Scudler from Canipeth and
 Vellere are entered as a charge against
 provincial services, & transferred to local
 funds. The management of the
 endowments will be transferred probably
 to the L. F.B. but the money will be paid
 to Dr Scudler not from the endowment
 but from the general local fund. The
 transfer of the management of the endowment
 which will also take place, cannot affect
 the propriety of the present application of the funds
 Dr Scudler gets some grants from provincial
 funds, & these will probably be charged, & will justify
 to the local fund.

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The Collector of North West.

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estimating that no change which
ever in the management is for good
of funds for one thing. I am glad
to hear that the Government for the Hawaiian Islands
where Dispensaries was continued
by G. O. 117 April 11, 1871
and requesting that you
report required in G. O. 11829 of
1871 as to whether any am. medicine
surplus is available for the
use of the Native Am. in Hawaii.