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No. 12. Read the following letter from the Acting Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort St. George, 31st July 1871, No. 254:—

It will be in the recollection of the Right Honourable the Governor in Council that Dharma Das Ji, Mahunt of Tripati, having become quite blind from cataract in both eyes, last year came to Madras and Assistant-Surgeon Brockman, by an operation, restored to him the sight of one eye.

2. Recently Dharma Das Ji requested Assistant-Surgeon Brockman to visit Tripati to operate on the other eye, and the second operation was equally successful with the first.

3. Dharma Das Ji gratefully recognised Assistant-Surgeon Brockman's services by fees, and by a letter to my address, of which I subjoin a copy.

4. Whilst Assistant-Surgeon Brockman was at Tripati, persons with severe, though remediable disease, sought his aid, and when, on his return, he brought this to my knowledge, I obtained the permission of the Right Honourable the Governor to ask the Mahunt to establish a Hospital at Tripati for in-patients and out-patients. Accordingly, on the 29th instant, on being introduced by Mr. J. D. Robinson, I invited the Mahunt to do so, and it is with much pleasure I mention that he instantly assented to my proposal, and expressed himself pleased with this opportunity of good doing, merely asking the allotment of a separate "eye-ward," which Assistant-Surgeon Brockman might occasionally visit.

5. I mentioned Rupees 300 monthly (or Rupees 3,600 a year) as the estimated outside monthly expenditure, and that I would ask the permission of Government to nominate a Hindoo medical officer for the medical charge. As Government will desire to be informed of the grounds for my naming that sum, I have the honour to mention that Rupees 6,041-3-9 is the average annual expenditure of the seventy-six Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries of the Madras Presidency. But, excluding the twelve Hospitals at Madras town, the average annual expenditure for the remaining sixty-four Dispensaries in the Provinces is Rupees 3,221-9-2, so that the Rupees 3,600 per annum, which the Mahunt has so liberally provided, ought to be ample for all requirements. I would also mention that Mr. Robinson pointed out two sites for an Hospital both equally good, and either of which could, with an outlay of a 100 Rupees, be put into complete working order in a week.

6. As it is only the first stocking of an Hospital with medicines and instruments that is heavy, I have the honour to recommend the gratis issue, from the Principal Medical Store Depot, of the items in the first indent; and, for the requirements of future years, the allotted Rupees 300 per mensem will suffice. The town of Lower Tripati has about 9,000 inhabitants; but, in each of the

past two years,* Hospital Assistants have been sent to attend to its sanitary arrangements and also to those of Upper Tripati, where, for a few days, the assemblage of pilgrims from the remotest parts of India reaches 50,000 in number, many of whom fall sick from the severe weather of that very elevated locality, while, all the year round, there is a constant liability to have cholera imported by the pilgrims who visit the holy shrines.

* *Proc. of Govt.*, 14th October 1868, No. 1284.
" of " 4th November 1869, No. 1509.

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7. I have also the honour to mention that I mentioned to the Mahunt that he might retain the financial control of the Hospital, but he expressed his wish that it should be retained by me.

From STREE MAHUNT DURMA DAS JI, to E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Madras, dated Tripati, 6th July 1871.

Many thanks for your having kindly permitted Dr. Brockman to come up to Tripati for the purpose of operating upon one of my eyes. This business he has done very nicely, and I have now got my eye-sight completely restored, inasmuch as the other eye was operated upon last year and that too successfully.

2. With regard to Dr. Brockman's professional ability, I am of opinion that he has already proved himself very skilful in the treatment of diseases of the eye, and his patience and perseverance are so wonderfully great that I think, from my personal experience, there can scarcely be another person more successful than this gentleman in this particular art.

No. 13. ORDER THEREON, 4th August 1871, No. 1175.

His Excellency the Governor in Council has received with much satisfaction the information that the Mahunt of Tripati is prepared to appropriate a sum of 3,600 Rupees per annum for the maintenance of a Hospital at Tripati.

2. Sanction is granted for the supply gratis of the medicines and instruments required on the establishment of the Hospital.

3. The Collector of North Arcot will convey to the Mahunt of Tripati the thanks of the Government for the liberality shown by him in establishing this Hospital.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R. E.,
Under Secretary, P. W. D.,
for Chief Secretary

To the Acting Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.
„ Collector of North Arcot.
„ Revenue Department.
„ Acting Accountant-General.
„ Examiner of Medical Accounts.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 31st July 1871.

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The Acting Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,
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To

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Acting Inspector General
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To

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Madras

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I remain

Dear Sir

Your obedient servant

(Signed) Stree Mahunt Kurnadovjee

True Copy

Jawahar Balfour Esq^r Genl
Acting Inspector General
Indian Medical Department

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Inspector General,

Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

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