

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 4th September 1871.

Read the following letter from E. G. BALFOUR, Esq., Acting Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Public Department, dated Fort Saint George, 8th August 1871, No. 261:—

IN the Order of Government, No. 323 of 16th March 1869, under representations from the Board of Revenue, Medical Officers of the Warrant and Hospital Assistant grades were authorized to take Medical charge of the establishments of Collectors and their Assistants, and, as is shown in the attached List A., there are now forty Medical subordinates so employed.

2. In the letter to the Government of India, No. 7, of 4th January 1870, the necessity for so employing these Medical subordinates was explained to be owing to the requirements of the establishments, to the great size of the Madras Districts, and the distance from medical aid during the Revenue Officers' four months yearly absence from their Head-quarters.

3. I have the honour to submit to His Excellency, the Governor in Council, that some parts of the districts, through which the journeys lead, are so unhealthy, that I fully recognize the need for the Revenue establishments being accompanied by a Medical Officer, but this necessity at most lasts only for three or four months in the year, and the Revenue Board would not, I think, consider it requisite to set apart a Medical subordinate officer for the entire year, if provision could be made for the whole, or any required part of the yearly tour. Government, in paragraph 4 of the order of 16th March 1869, directed that, when not on tour, these Collectorate Medical subordinates should invariably be placed under the orders of the Medical Officer of the Jail or Zillah Hospitals, thereby recognizing that their time was not fully occupied; and I could at all times, with a month's warning, detail a number of Medical subordinates from the fixed establishments for the temporary tour. I could certainly do so for twenty or thirty of the Collectorates, and thus set twenty or thirty Medical men free to take charge of new Civil Hospitals, wherever they may be required.

4. For the past seven years, Government has repeatedly had under its consideration the question, "how best to diffuse European Medical skill throughout the country," but as the Medical College has not been educating a sufficient number even for the public services of Madras, Mysore, Berar, Burmah, the Andamans, the Nicobars and the Straits, the chief difficulty encountered in the consideration of the subject has been how to obtain Medical men.

5. I will shortly address Government on the subject of the capabilities of the Medical College, to do more than it has hitherto done; but if the suggestion which I now make, be approved, twenty or thirty Medical men, whose services are now at most only two thirds utilized, will be available to meet the general wants of the country; and as the order of 1869, was issued on the representation of the Board of Revenue, I will send this letter through the Board, in order that it may reach Government along with an expression of the Board's opinions on my proposal.

6. If the eye run over the attached list A., it will be observed that thirty-one of the forty Head-quarter Collectorate Stations, there are already from one to seven separate Hospitals* and this, whilst there are in this Presidency large towns with populations ranging up to 19,484 without any educated Medical aid.

7. As orders have not, as yet, been issued on this office letter No. 145 of 21st June 1870,

and it is very desirable to extend the benefits of European medical knowledge to the people, I have

Collectorate Head-quarters without an Hospital.

South Arcot...	Virdachellum...	Sub-Collector.
	Tindivanam ...	Head-Assistant-Collector
Coimbatore ...	Caroor.....	Sub-Collector.
Ganjam...	Chatterpore ...	Collector.
Nellore.....	Raniapatam ...	Sub-Collector.
Salem.....	Tripatore... ..	Head-Assistant-Collector.
	Namcul	Deputy-Collector.
Tinnevely.....	Thermaidem ...	Sub-Collector.

the honour to submit to His Excellency the Governor in Council, that I asked the Board of Revenue to favour me with a list of large towns unprovided with educated Medical men from the Madras Medical College, and I received the attached Statement B, from which I give the data:—

Districts.	Number of existing Hospitals.	Towns in which Dispensaries may be necessary.	Population.
Ganjam	3		
Vizagapatam	3		
Godavery	3	Bobbili	19,484
Kistna	2	Peddiapur	8,938
Do.	2	Bapulla	9,949
Cuddapah	2	Juggiapettah	8,328
Bellary	2	Veikatangiri	6,989
Kurnool	6		
Do.	2	Tadputry	7,869
North Arcot	3	Nundial	7,465
Chingleput	3	Madikara	6,259
South Arcot	2	Gudiathum	12,806
Do.	2	Arni	10,865
Tanjore	6	Valvanoor	8,438
Trichinopoly	1	Bomengiri	7,236
Madura	3	Nagore	11,619
.....	3	Streerungum	8,910
Tinnevely	3	Keelakara	11,335
.....	2	Palni	16,895
Salem	2	Wattrap	13,538
South Canara	2	Rajahpolliam	12,989
Coimbatore	4	Vanempady	12,357
Malabar	6	Neelisswar	8,087
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8. The attached Statement B. shows that there are, in the Madras Presidency, provided with skilled Civil Medical Officers, 60 towns, with populations ranging from 4,097, as at Ghooty, to 50,560 as at Salem, 15 of the 60 towns being in Medical charge of members of the Hospital Assistant grade; and the Revenue Board now names 20 towns, with populations ranging from 6,259 at Madakara, to 19,484 as at Bobbili, which they recommend should be similarly provided.

9. I submit the opinion of the Board of Revenue, for the favourable consideration of Government, and recommend that an Hospital and Dispensary be authorized for each named town with a

Medical Officer.

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Compounder. Water-man.

Member of the Hospital Assistant Class in Medical charge, and an establishment of servants* proportioned to the requirements of the respective Institutions; and, if the Revenue Board

recommend, and the Government approve of, my proposal to set free twenty or thirty of the Collectorate Medical subordinates, these twenty new Hospitals could be opened in the towns which the Board recommend.

10. I have the honour to submit, as my opinion, that the Civil Stations in the Medical charge of Officers of the Warrant and Hospital Assistant Grade, might advantageously be arranged into three Classes, as regards the allowance of the Medical Officers, and the number and pay of the servants; towns with a population above 30,000 being declared of the 1st Class; towns above 15,000 and below 30,000 being of the 2nd Class; and when below 15,000 of the 3rd Class. I will, however, in a few weeks submit, for the consideration of Government, the subject of the Civil Dispensaries of the Madras Presidency.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 and 2.—Statements.

SUBMITTED for the orders of Government.

2. The Inspector-General points out that there are hospitals at 31 out of the 40 stations at which Revenue Officers, to whom Apothecaries, Assistant Apothecaries, or Hospital Assistants are attached, reside, and he proposes that 20 or 30 of these Medical Subordinates should be posted to large towns, arrangements being made to supply their places when the Revenue Officers are on tour.

3. If such arrangements can be made the proposal seems to the Board to be unobjectionable so far as the Revenue Department is concerned, and to be highly expedient in every other respect, but Dr. Balfour has apparently assumed that the usual four months of travelling will be got through continuously, and commenced at a date previously known whereas it is taken in broken periods, and visits to out stations have often to be made very suddenly. This will probably make the arrangements more difficult.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with two Statements.

Copy to the Acting Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.

Ed. G. A. Turton.

Establishment for Revenue Officers. A

			apothecaries or assistant Hospital Assistants	No of Hospitals at the Head Quarter Stations
North Arcot	Chittoor	Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital
	Vellore	Sub-Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital, 1 Military 1 Central Jail and 1 Police.
South Arcot	Cuddalore	Collector	0	2 Civil Dispensary, 1 Police Hosp. 1 Jail Hospital
	Vudlachellum	Sub-Collector	0	
	Tirdevarrum, Headqst.	Collector	0	
Bellary	Bellary	Collector	1	0 Military Hospitals, 1 Civil Hosp. 1 Jail
	Arantapore	Sub-Collector	0	1 Civil and Police Hospital
	Perampulath	Head Ass ^t Collector	0	
South Arcot	Mangalore	Collector	0	1 Military Hospital, 1 Civil Hosp. 1 Jail Hospital, 1 Police Hospital
Coimbatore	Coimbatore	Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital, 1 Jail Hospital 1 Police Hospital.
	Caroor	Sub-Collector	0	
Cuddapah	Cuddapah	Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital, 1 Jail Hospital, 1 Police Hospital.
	Madanrapully	Sub-Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital
Ganjapur	Chetterpore	Collector	0	1 Police Hospital?
	Chicacole	Sub-Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital, 1 Police Hospital
Godavary	Cocarrada	Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital
	Trapahmundry	Sub-Collector	0	1 Civil Hospital, 1 Police Hospital 1 Central Jail and 1 District Jail.
Krishna	Masulipatam	Collector	0	1 Civil Dispensary, 1 Jail Hospital 1 Police Hospital
	Guntur	Sub-Collector	0	1 Civil Dispensary, 1 Jail Hospital
Guernool	Guernool	Collector	0	1 Civil Dispensary, 1 Jail Hospital
Madras	Saidapett	Collector	0	1 Civil Dispensary
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Madura	Madura	Collector	0	1	Civil Dispensary / Jail Hosp.
	Kindigul	Sub-Collector	0	1	Police Hospital Civil Dispensary
	Ramnad	Head Ass Collector	0	1	Civil Dispensary / Police Hosp.
Malabar	Calicut	Collector	0	1	Civil Dispensary / Jail Hosp.
Mysore	Nellor	Collector	0	1	Police Hospital 2 Civil Dispensaries / Jail Hosp.
	Ramrhapatam	Sub-Collector	0	1	
Salem	Salem	Collector	1	0	Civil Dispensary / Jail Hosp.
	Dosoor	Sub-Collector	0	1	Police Hospital Police Hospital
	Tripatore	Head Ass Collector	0	1	
	Rannicul	Deputy Collector	0	1	
Tanjore	Tanjore	Collector	0	1	Civil Hospital / Jail Hospital
	Wegapatam	Sub-Collector	0	1	Civil Dispensary
Tinnevely	Tinnevely	Collector	0	1	2 Civil Dispensaries / Jail Hospital
	Thermadern	Sub-Collector	0	1	
	Tuticorin	Head Ass Collector	0	1	Under consideration
Tich. nichols	Tichingopoly	Collector	0	1	3 Military Hospitals with Civil Hospitals and others
Vijagapatam	Vijagapatam	Collector	1	0	2 Military, Civil Dispensary and Jail Hospital
	Marahatam	Prin. Ass Collector	0	1	Police Hospital
	Vizianagaram	Senior Ass Collector	0	1	2 Hospitals / Civil / Military
			3	37	Police Hospital

Statement showing the towns in which dispensaries are already in existence and those in which dispensa-ries may be necessary

			The towns in which there are dispensaries already	The towns in which dispensa-ries may be necessary
Ganjam	Berhampore	Population 20,278		
	Kennedy	10,358		
	Bhicasole	15,399		
Vijagapatam	Vijagapatam	16,867	Vizianagaram	10,358
	Palunda	8,147	Boobli	14,684
Godavery	Cocanada	16,167	Ellore	19,940
	Rajamundry	16,777	Peddapur	8,938
Vistrah	Masulipatam	27,763	Baputla	9,949
	Guntoor	15,184	Juggisapeta	8,228
Nellore	Nellore	22,857	Venkatagiri	6,939
	Orgole	5,832		
Cuddapah	Cuddapah	14,347		
	Madanpully			
Bellary	Adoni	17,828	Tadputry	7,869
	Ananthapur	4,426		
	Bellary	37,015		
	Ghose	4,097		
	Hospett	9,419		
	Kampti	9,227		
Kurnool	Kurnool	23,816	Kundhal	7,465
	Cumbrum	7,983	Iladikara	6,259
Chingleput	Conjeveram	31,939		
	Chingleput	5,818		
	Sydapet	7,544		
North Arcot	Chittoor	9,797	Gudialthum	12,806
	Vellore	30,529	Arni	10,865
	Parripett			

District

The towns in which there are Dispensaries already necessary

		Population			Population
South Arcot	Chellumburam	14,354	Valvanoor		8438
	Cuddalore	8391	Bowengeri		7236
Sancie	Ambarconum	36,956	Nagore		11,619
	Innamargudy	13,773			
	Inayavaram	19,288			
	Negapatam	19,839			
	Tertthiampoor				
	Sheally	5700			
	Tranquebar	17,972			
Trichinopoly	Trichinopoly	19,876	Strerungum		8910
Madura	Arindigul	8957	Kickakara		11,335
	Madura	39,492	Palni		10,895
	Ramnad	9970			
Tinnevely	Tinnevely	21,533	Matthar		13,539
	Palametta	13,315	Rajapolliam		12,989
	Edyngudi				
Coimbatore	Curroor	9271	Annamaly		10,445
	Coimbatore	24,057			
	Pollachur				
Salem	Salem	50,560	Vanumbady		12,357
	Kotagiri				
South Canara	Mangalore	23,668	Neilmar		8087
	Mutjeri				
Malabar	Calicut	13,357			
	Palghat	8820			
	Ponnani	5767			
	Cochin	5211			
	Gudalur				
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(Signed) J. G.

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Endorse in letter from
the Acting Inspector
General Sir in British
Department, dated
28th August 1871. No. 267.

In G. A. No. 4289/71

In P. A. No. 1460/71

Govt. of (1871) Madras.

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The Insp. Genl. Secy. to Govt.

Dated 6.10.18

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G. O. 18. 8. 1871, No. 44

Nos. 4. 82.

Calling for further explanation from the Insp. Genl. Secy. to Govt. respecting his proposals otherwise to withdraw the services of the Subordinate Insp. officers attached to Collectors when those officers are not on their duty.