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**Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
2nd June 1871.**

No. 8. Read the following letter from the Collector of Tinnevelly, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Strivilliputtur, 20th April 1871, No. 164 :—

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2. The number of out-patients treated in both the Dispensaries during 1870 has increased by 1,048, as per margin, on the number treated in 1869.

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Palamcottah Dispensary, 463.

3. Copies of the Zillah Surgeon's reports on both the Palamcottah and Tinnevelly Dispensaries, with statements of their financial condition and an extract from the Visitor's Book at the Tinnevelly Dispensary, are enclosed.

4. The Dispensaries opened at Suviseshapuram (since transferred to Edaiyanguudi), Nazareth, Strivilliputtur, and Tuticorin are well maintained, and the number of patients steadily increase.

5. A Dispensary at Strivilliputtur was lately built by subscription at a cost of 3,000 Rupees.

No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1871, No. 754.

The Government learn with satisfaction from the letter above recorded, and the reports submitted with it, that the usefulness of the Civil Dispensary at Palamcottah and the Branch Dispensary at Tinnevelly is appreciated by the inhabitants, and that the number of patients who sought for and obtained medical aid, during the year 1870, was 5,787.

2. The expenditure in the Palamcottah Dispensary, during the year 1870, was Rupees 6,631-3-2, and in that at Tinnevelly, Rupees 1,351-6-2.

3. The invested capital amounted to Rupees 81,500.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of Tinnevelly.

.. Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.

Exd. J. Wright.

No 164 Tinnevely Collectors Office
Strivilliputhur 20th April 1871

From W. H. Puckle Esq

To W. Hudson Esq
Collector

Sir Secretary to Government
Fort Saint George

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THE COLLECTOR OF TINNEVELLY,
&c., &c.,

Dated June, 2nd.

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G. O., 2nd June 1871, No. 764.

JUNE.
Nos. 8-9.

Passing orders on the reports on the Civil Dispensary at Palamcottah and the Branch Dispensary at Tinnevely for 1870.

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at a cost of 3,000 rupees

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your most Obedt Servt

Ad. Srinivasulu
Collector

Compd. Ad.

Branch Dispensary Quarterly
Extract from the Wislitz Book.

January 20th 1870. Thirty five Out patients and 6 In patients
all clear and in good order. Signed C. J. Langley

January 30th.
Earth in Latrine not dry - this earth should be removed and replaced by dry pulverized earth - Dispensary clean and in good order.
(Signed) C. T. Loughry
Attest

February 12th 7th. Five In Patients - Thirty five Out - all
Clean and in good order
(Signed) C. J. Longley

February, 18th 1870

Annual Inspection	Dispensary and Hospital
clean, and well arranged	Chas. H. Kennedy

March 18th I have visited the Hospital and find every thing in good order. Indian Medical Dept. Secy. (Signed) Arunachalam Appa

8 AM (Thirty six Out Patients and Six In Patients)
The Hospital very clean and in good order. Labours
the same (Signed) L. J. Douglass

July 27th 1870 Hospital is kept clean and in good order.

8-9-70 I have this day inspected the Hospital, and
found quite clean and every thing in good order.
Sgt. J. A. M. Chalaw, Miss.

11th January 1871

I inspected this Branch Dispensary on their date, and found its wards Clean and comparatively empty. In three wards, were 8 or 9 patients of both sexes. 3 or 4 males and 5 or 6 females, of whom of the latter, 4 were said to be prostitutes and suffering from the disease incident to their abominable trade. For my part, I maintain that a system which imposes on a virtuous woman, the necessity of bedding, in the same room, in her sufferings with prostitutes is wrong not to say cruel. Bearing in mind the terrible prevalence of venereal disease in this and the adjoining town of Palamcottah and the evils thus inflicted on the Public health, I am,

Jan: 11 - 1890

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Yours
 The Collector
 Sincerely
 To the Secretary of State

1844 }
 20th }
 Dec 24 }
 Dec 27 }
 April 1841 }
 20 1844 }

Dec 10/4
Enclosures. 5

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Forming a deposit

on the Civil War

at Lancaster & the

Boards Separately at

Annexes for the year 1871

Enclosure No 5 in a letter
from the Collector Enimvely
date 20th April 1871 No 164

Copy of an Extract from
the Visitor's book at the
Enimvely Dispensary
referred to in the above
letter.

Pub. No 767/71

1870
Extract from the Annual Medical
Report of the Civil Dispensary Palamotte

The following table shows the number
of patients treated in the Civil Dispensary
during the past year - and compared with
the number of the two previous years, it shows
an increase in the number of Cases treated
both among the In and out Patients and a
decrease of deaths.

	1868	1869	1870	
			In	Out
Remained 31st December	41	60	18	28
Admitted 1868 —	2,223	2,246	13,281	40,287
Total	2,264	2,306	13,299	42,315
Discharged —	2,177	2,234	11,266	42,232
Died —	27	24	2	16
Remained 31st December	60	48	17	23
Total	2,264	2,306	13,299	42,315
Daily average	42 3/4	44 1/4	41 1/4	

2 The greatest number treated on any one
day was among the out Patients new Cases. 17.
— In patients — 25

3 The chief diseases amongst the European
have been diseases of the Digestive System
Among the natives, the largest number of
diseases has been under the head of Fevers,

Chronic Rhinitis, Ulcers. Wounds, Sores,
Eyes, abscesses and Disorders of the Premises
4. I attribute the prevalence of fever,
to the fact that in the early part of the year
a large tract of Country was flooded and
remained submerged for several months.
A vast number of Cases of Chronic Rhina-
-itis are due to a Syphilitic Taint. Venereal
disease is widely spread, and is not con-
sidered by the majority of people as one which
they have reason to be ashamed of - or as
affecting their moral Character. Conjunctivitis
is one of the most troublesome Complaints
of the District and in many Cases, is severe
impairing vision by producing opacity of the
Cornea and in some Cases protrusion of
iris from ulceration taking place in the
Cornea. Swarms of eye flies and sand storms
which are of frequent occurrence add
greatly to the misery of the affection; Epidemic
Cholera was prevalent in the District but
not to any extent in the Town of Palam-
cottah. The people conceal by every
means, in their power, any instance of
the disease occurring amongst them. I
attribute this to the unnecessary destruction
of Cloths and shawls, that has been,
enforced as a means of preventing Con-
-tagion but I prefer the use of Dis-
infectants and am using my utmost endeavours
to show the poor people that the object

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is to prevent the spread of the disease
and not to inflict any loss upon them.
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(True Extract)
Palamcottah } (Signed) J B Thomas
1st January 1871 } A Lillah Surgeon
(True Copy)

W. Suckle
Collector

Comp. Lh

Public No 767/71
 Copy of the Report of
 Palamcottah Dispensary
 referred to in the above
 letter

1891/20 164.
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Enclosure & in a
 letter from the Collecting
 Government dated 20th April
 1891/20 164.

Financial Statement exhibiting the working of the Palamcottah Civil Dispensary for the year 1870

In Patients
 Out 20 } Total 299

Balance on hand 1st January 1870	1839 3 2	By Medical Officers Salary	480 -
Flourishing	81500 -	Drugs	633 10 4
Invested	480 -	Warrant	-
Received during the year 1870.	4101 14 11	European Medicines from Medical Store	166 9 -
From Government	100 -	Half yearly supplies purchased	45 12 -
Local Funds	94 2 -	Annual	18 4 3
Interest of invested funds	94 2 -	Drinking sick including inmates & Band blind	968 12 7
European donation	15 15 1	Wines and Spirits	37 13 6
Sale of medicines to persons not entitled to	81500 -	Monthly Contingent Charges	207 5 -
Gratuitous issue	15 15 1	Butchery and Repair	28 6 -
Gift of trees in the Hospitals Compound	81500 -	But door persons	806 8 -
Total Income 88131 3 2	81500 -	Turnoverly Branch Dispensary	441 - 6
Total Expenditure 6631 3 2	81500 -	Board and education of 3 orphans	59 12 -
Amount invested 81500 -	81500 -	Donation to Mr. Willingdon Dispensary	2000 -
Balance on hand	81500 -	Dr. Drizangudi	500 -
	81500 -	Other Charges	37 6 -
	81500 -		
	81500 -	Total	6631 3 2

Palamcottah } The statement of value of medicines
 1st January 1871 } provided by Government has not been
 received from the examiner of Medical
 accounts.

(True Copy) (Signed) J. B. Thomas
 Offg. Medical Surgeon
 M. Sreen
 Collector

1870
Annual Medical Report of the Branch
Dispensary Tinnevely

3419
2415
5834

Remained on the 31st December 1869 - 47
Admitted _____ 3372
Discharged _____ 3315
Died _____ 17
Remaining 31st December 1870 _____ 40
Average daily no. of sick _____ 14 1/2

Observations
The total number of applicants for Medical relief at the Branch Dispensary Tinnevely for the past year has been 3372 this gives an increase of 585 over the admissions of the previous year

2 This Institution is open to Out-patients and a limited number of In-patients daily. All charges are defrayed from the Income of the Civil Dispensary at Palamcottah which is derived from the funded Capital some 85,000 Rupees

3 An Epidemic of Cholera was prevalent in the months of March, April and May throughout the District and it was free from it till the beginning of February last and then assumed its virulent form and is now in a declining state. There were also a few cases of small pox in and around the District

4 The principal diseases for which application has been made for relief during the year taking them in the order of their frequency has been Ulcers 497, Venereal 287, Fevers 232, Dyspepsia 176, Stch 169, Constipation 142, Ophthalmia 134, Diarrhoea 112, Vermin 107, and Dysentery 67.

5 The prevalence of venereal disease suggested the propriety of establishing a Lock Hospital but the step is sub-judice pending the passing of the new bill for the Towns Improvement Act.

6 A Statement of the Income and Expenditure of the Dispensary is herewith forwarded.

7 First Class Hospital Assistant Kistnamah Raue h 341 discharges his duties in a very efficient manner. The total number of Cases would have been higher had the Hospital Assistant not been laid up with a severe illness for the space of 2 months & subsequently obliged to proceed on leave on medical certificate (for 2 months) On each occasion of my visit to the Dispensary I have found it in good order and the duties carried out satisfactorily

8 An Extract from the visitors book is also herewith forwarded

Branch Dispensary }
Timewell 10th March 1871 } Signed J B Thomas
Ag Lillah Surgeon
(True Copy)

AK Pugh
Collector

Enclosure herewith
from the Director of
Tinnevely District
1871 Dec 16/4

Copy of the above
Bridgetown of the
Dispensary referred to in
the above letter

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Public Department

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To the Collector of Tinnevely
— Insp. Genl. Ind. Med. Dept.

L.B.

Cont. of 1877 } Madras.

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To
The Collector of Tinnevely

Dated June 2. }
Recd. 1877, No. 257.

Nos. 2-9.

Passing orders on the report
on the Civil Dispensary at
at Palamcottah and the
General Dispensary at
Tinnevely for 1877.