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4. As regard contingencies, I may respectfully remark that the number of dispensaries, and not of patients should form the basis of calculation for contingent and miscellaneous charges. According to this calculation the charges for each Dispensary in Madras were Rs 187-14-11, in Bengal Rs 133-10-5, in North West Provinces Rs 196-11-2, in Punjab Rs 28-13-11 and in Bombay Rs 254-6-9. It will be seen from these figures that next to Bengal Madras shows the smallest expenditure on this account.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obt Servant.

W. Elmslie Babcock M.D.
Surgeon General
with the Govt. of Madras.

they are frequently absent from Head Quarters for lengthened periods a circumstance which is distinctly prejudicial to the ~~success of~~ conservative surgery.

Secondly, there are certain diseases necessitating surgical operations which are much more prevalent in Bengal and Upper India than in this Presidency. For instance "calculus" affections which are extremely frequent in the North, are comparatively seldom met with in this Presidency. Cataracts are also less prevalent here than in North Western Provinces &c.

3. As regards the high cost of Diet charges in this Presidency I may explain that the articles of diet are generally cheaper in Bengal, and North West Provinces, than in Madras. Apart from this, the majority of the hospital population in this Presidency are meat eaters while in Upper India the people live chiefly on grain, and this makes considerable difference in the cost of diet. I may observe that according to the statement furnished by the Government of India the annual cost per head of patients in the North West Provinces and Oudh is Rs 15-8-11 or 8 pies per diem. It is really difficult to understand how patients requiring substantial and nutritious food can be dieted on 8 pies per day. Unless therefore there is a large proportion of ~~half~~ dieting patients amongst the number treated during the year it appears impossible to reduce the cost to such an extremely low scale.

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WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

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~~THE~~ SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

~~FORT ST. GEORGE~~,

Ootacamund.

To

THE Chief Secretary to Government

Public Department.

SIR,

With reference to Public Department Endorsement No. 264 A dated the 30th March 1891 communicating to me for report, the remarks by the Government of India in the Annual Report of the Civil Hospitals and Dispensaries in this Presidency for 1889 I have the honor to submit the following explanations.

2. Attention is drawn by the Government of India to the small number of Surgical operations performed outside the Presidency town in Madras as compared with the figures in other Provinces. Explanation for this is not far to seek. In Madras the Districts under the charge of Medical officers are much larger in area and contain far greater number of dispensaries than these in any other parts of India; a[redacted] to the orders in force in this Presi[redacted] Medical officers are required [redacted] Dispensary in their Districts a[redacted] a year, and also to visit villages a[redacted] their sanitation to the [redacted] Madras. As a consequence

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THE SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

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