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*Re closure of
the Royal Indian
Asylum at Salis*

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Asylums—Lunatic.

Read the following paper:—

No. 68. *From the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Most Honorable the Governor-General of India in Council; dated India Office, London, 7th July 1892, No. 90 (Military).*

Closing of Royal India Asylum.

M-6058.

To the Secretary, Lunacy Commission, dated 2nd December 1891, M-10339.

From the Secretary, Lunacy Commission, dated 3rd December 1891.

In continuation of my Despatch No. 56 of 13th March 1890, I forward herewith, for the information of your Government, copy of correspondence noted in the margin, regarding the closing of the Royal India Asylum at Ealing.

2. The Asylum was finally closed on the 24th June 1892. The female patients have been removed to the Coton Hill Institution, Stafford, and the male patients, whose names are given in the accompanying lists, to the Royal Naval Hospital, Yarmouth.

From HORACE WALPOLE, Esq., Under-Secretary of State for India, to the Secretary, Lunacy Commission; dated India Office, 2nd December 1891, No. 10339-M.

I am directed to acquaint you, for the information of the Commissioners in Lunacy, that the Secretary of State for India in Council has now under consideration the desirability or otherwise of closing the Royal India Asylum at Ealing. Viscount Cross would be much obliged if, with a view to aiding him in arriving at a decision, the Commissioners would kindly furnish him with their opinion whether the closing of the Asylum and the transfer of its inmates* to other asylums would be in the least degree detrimental to their health or general well-being, or whether, on the other hand, the change might possibly be attended by beneficial results in this respect.

His Lordship has already caused inquiries to be made as to whether the Lords of the Admiralty would be willing to receive the male patients in the Royal Naval Hospital at Yarmouth, and would be glad to learn whether the Commissioners in Lunacy would approve of such transfer. He would also be obliged if the Commissioners could name any suitable institution in which the first and second class female patients could be suitably accommodated and cared for, and what institutions they would recommend for the reception of the male patients, if the suggested arrangement with the Admiralty should not be adopted.

From G. HAROLD THOMSON, Esq., Secretary, Lunacy Commission, to the Under-Secretary of State for India; dated 19, Whitehall Place, S.W., 3rd December 1891.

I am directed by the Commissioners in Lunacy to reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, and to inform the Secretary of State for India in Council—

(1) That in the opinion of the Commissioners the closing of the Royal India Asylum and the transfer of the patients thence to other asylums need not be detrimental to their general health or general well-being. The Commissioners think that the large majority of the patients are too far demented to notice the change in any way, a few would probably welcome the change, and might to some extent benefit thereby; in the very few instances where ties of friendship have been formed between patients by long social intercourse, these should, the Commissioners think, receive attention, and the patients should not without necessity be separated.

(2) That the Commissioners would approve of the transfer of all the male patients, both first and second class, to the Royal Naval Hospital at Yarmouth, in preference to any other transfer, since there is excellent vacant accommodation at Yarmouth, most suitable for such patients, and many of them would be acceptable society to the patients now upon the books.

(3) That in the opinion of the Commissioners the first and second class female patients now in the Royal India Asylum could be suitably and best accommodated by transfer to one or more of the hospitals registered for reception of persons of unsound mind, and known as "The Lawn," Lincoln; "Coton Hill Institution," Stafford; "Warnford Hospital," Oxford.

(4) That if arrangements cannot be carried out with the Admiralty, the first-class male patients could be suitably dealt with by distribution among the hospitals above referred to.

(5) That for the first-class patients paying most highly, suitable accommodation could probably be also found at the Coppice Hospital, Nottingham; Barnwood House, Gloucester; St. Andrew's Hospital, Northampton; and Holloway Sanatorium, Virginia Water.

(6) That if arrangements with the Admiralty cannot be carried out, the second-class male patients might suitably be accommodated at Grove Hall, Bow, by arrangement with the licensee.

List of 23 upper class male patients removed in June 1892 from the Royal India Asylum, Ealing, to the Royal Naval Hospital, Yarmouth.

Names.	Rank, former service, &c.	Age, date of birth, &c.	Years in 1892.	Remarks on present condition.
Chancery Patients—				
Matravers Harcourt	Lieutenant-Colonel (retired), Madras Artillery.	Born, 13th Sept. 1830.	62	Chronic mania.
Collier Bernhard				
Steinman.				
George Canard Ford	Major (retired), Madras Staff Corps...	" 13th May 1835.	57	Dementia.
Patients whose orders were signed by relatives—				
George Thomas Dick.	Lieutenant-Colonel (retired), 3rd Madras Native Infantry.	" 2nd Apr. 1821.	71	Chronic mania.
Frederic Montague Raynsford.	Major (retired), Madras Staff Corps...	" 3rd Nov. 1831.	61	Do.
Thomas Patrick Fraser Tytler.	Do. do. ...	" 30th Sept. 1833.	59	Chronic mania, dangerous.
Patients whose orders were signed by Mr. H. R. Philips—				
Musgrove Henry	Captain (retired), Madras Staff Corps.	" 2nd Dec. 1838.	54	Chronic mania, doubtful, suicidal.
Lushington Harris.				Chronic mania.
Dashwood Charles	Captain (retired), 13th Madras Native Infantry.	" 13th Sept. 1830.	62	
Gordon Strettell.				
Frederick Studdy ...	Lieutenant (retired), 6th Madras Light Cavalry.	Baptised, 4th Apr. 1813.	79	Do.
George Edward Russell Macdonald.	Ensign (retired), 23rd Madras Native Infantry.	Born, 11th Apr. 1837.	55	Dementia.
Joseph McCormick Forrie.	Mr., late Lieutenant, removed, 40th Madras Native Infantry.	" 12th July 1816.	76	Do.
Samuel George Teed Cooper.	Mr., late Lieutenant, removed, 13th Madras Infantry.	" 10th June 1833.	59	Do.

List of 40 lower class male patients removed in June 1892 from the Royal India Asylum, Ealing, to the Royal Naval Hospital, Yarmouth.

Names.	Frontier Service.	Approximate age in year 1892.	Present condition.
Philip Barry ...	Private, 2nd Madras European Regiment	63	Dementia.
James Bowen ...	Do. do. do.	50	Do.
John Duffoy ...	Private, 1st Madras European Fusiliers	63	Do.
John Flanagan ...	Private, 2nd Madras European Regiment	59	Do.
Daniel Kearney ...	Do. do. do.	69	Do.
Patrick Keefe ...	Private, 1st Madras European Fusiliers	59	Do.

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Copy of the foregoing and of its enclosures forwarded to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Military Department, for the information of the Governor in Council.

(By Order.)

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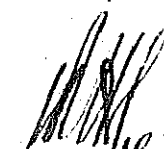
(Signed) E. DEBRATH,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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ORDER THEREON, 9th September 1892, No. 5652.

Communicated to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and departments concerned, with reference to Proceedings of Government, No. 3098, dated 5th May 1890.

(True Extract.)


Brigdr.-Genl.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Adjutant-General.
Principal Medical Officer, Madras Army.
Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
Controller of Military Accounts.
Public Department.

Exd, T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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To
THE ADJUTANT-GENERAL,
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