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Report for 1893

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Sanitary), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 29th September 1894, No. 266.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of the report of the Sanitary Commissioner of Madras for the year 1893, together with the orders recorded thereon by the Government of Madras, forwarded with your endorsement, No. 1211 L., dated the 2nd July 1894.

2. The vital statistics of the Presidency have been very elaborately discussed by the Sanitary Commissioner in all their phases, especially in the bearing on them of meteorology and food-supply, and they have also formed the subject of careful comment by the Local Government. It is, however, noticed that the birth and death rates were only 27.0 and 19.3 per mille, respectively, which cannot be considered to be the true rates of gain and loss in the population of the Presidency by births and deaths during the year. With reference to this matter I am to invite the attention of His Excellency the Governor in Council to the Home Department Resolution, No. 2-Sanitary—106-117, dated the 18th June last, in which it was remarked that a much greater improvement in the registration of vital statistics is to be expected in the Madras Presidency. I am to say that the Government of India await the special report called for in paragraph 11 of that Resolution upon the improvements which are possible in the existing machinery for the collection and collation of the returns of births and deaths and the means by which such improvements may be effected. In the meantime I am to invite the attention of the Government of Madras to the remarks made upon the subject in paragraph 2 of the Memorandum, dated the 8th June 1894, by the Army Sanitary Commission upon the Madras Sanitary Report for 1892. A copy of that Memorandum was forwarded to the Government of Madras with Her Majesty's Secretary of State's despatch, No. 1 (Statistics), dated the 19th July 1894.

3. There was a decrease in 1893 in the number of places inspected by the Sanitary Commissioner, and I am to suggest that it may be impressed upon him that regular inspection forms an important part of the duties of his office.

4. The Government of India notice that Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel King has written a careful and well-considered note on the epidemic of cholera with which the Presidency was visited last year.

5. It is satisfactory to observe that a great deal of practical and useful work was performed by the Sanitary Engineer and his subordinates during the year, and that the Government of Madras are endeavouring as far as possible, to overcome the financial and other difficulties which impede the execution of sanitary works in many parts of the Presidency.

6. To obviate the inconvenience which results from the present practice, under which the Sanitary Engineer submits plans for sanction without consulting the Sanitary Commissioner, the latter officer has submitted certain proposals to His Excellency the Governor in Council. In this connection I am to observe that the Government of India consider it very desirable that the Sanitary Engineer should work as much as possible in concert with the Sanitary Commissioner, and, as these two officers constitute the Sanitary Board in the Madras Presidency, it would appear to be feasible to secure that projects placed before the Government of Madras should have been examined by both of them.

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7. Sewage farming was carried on during the year under review in the towns of Madras, Tanjore and Negapatam, but it is stated in paragraph 13 of the orders of the Madras Government that in the first two towns, though the system is pursued profitably, it is based on bad sanitary principles. The Governor-General in Council would be glad if it could be found possible, under the directions of the Madras Government, to remove the defects which now exist at Madras and Tanjore, as sewage farming is still in an experimental stage in India and the failure to observe the necessity for good sanitation in the experiments made must tend to hinder the solution of the important problem of the disposal of sewage. If the farms in question are to serve as models to other municipalities it is essential they should be managed on sanitary as well as economic principles.

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Communicated to the Public Department and the officers concerned.

2. The attention of the Sanitary Commissioner will be drawn to paragraph 3 of the letter from the Government of India; the remarks in paragraph 6 will be considered when orders are passed on the proposals of the Sanitary Commissioner therein referred to.

3. The Municipal Commissioners of Madras will be requested to report the steps they propose to take to remove the defects which are stated in paragraph 101 of the Sanitary Commissioner's report to exist in the sewage farm in Madras, viz., the absence of arrangements for under-draining and the discharge of effluent, and the practice of disposal by soakage in the neighbourhood.

4. The Sanitary Commissioner will be requested to specify the particulars in which the Tanjore sewage farm "requires," as stated in the same paragraph of his report, "revision from a sanitary point of view."

(True Extract.)

*Donel Anderson*  
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for Chief Secretary.

To the Public Department. ✓  
 „ the Sanitary Commissioner.  
 „ the Sanitary Engineer.  
 „ the Sanitary Board.  
 „ all Presidents of District Boards.  
 „ all Chairmen of Municipal Councils.  
 „ the President of the Municipal Commission, Madras.  
 „ the Surgeon-General.

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J. F. PRICE,  
Chief Secretary.

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