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[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing the I.G. that the Govt sees
no reason to reconsider the order
regarding the advisability of
curtailing the length of the
Annual Administration reports
of Presidency State hospitals;
& making certain suggestions
as to how it could be carried
out.

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From Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthorpe,
C.B., F.R.C.P.I.

Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras.

No. 472.

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SUBJECT.

Reporting on certain points raised in G.O.No.1086, Public, dated 19th August 1897, on the review of the Administration report of Presidency State Hospitals.

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CURRENT No. 4465
OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras, 230 November 1897-1898.

No. 472

From

C.B.,

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL J. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

With reference to G.O.No.1086, Public, dated the

19th August 1897, I have the honour to report as follows:-

1. PARAGRAPH I. THE SURGEON-GENERAL'S ATTENTION WILL ONCE MORE BE CALLED TO THE REMARKS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RECORDED IN G.O.NO.1081, PUBLIC, DATED 2nd AUGUST 1887.

The reports on the medical institutions in the Presidency Town of Madras should in my opinion be classified with those of special institutions as is done in paragraph 6 of the Resolution of the Government of India recorded in the above G.O. when dealing with the Calcutta Medical institutions. The review of the administration work of these institutions is of great importance to all the Medical Officers who are concerned in the administration of Indian hospitals. Further, if thoroughly dealt with in this office they form a valuable check on expenditure. I consider, therefore that the various details of the following extract (taken from the departmental Standing Order No.21 of 1897, of which a copy is in your office, showing what the administration report should contain) should be fully dealt with:-

100. (1) Accommodation-

(a) giving number of beds available for men, women and children, European and Native, how distributed, how they may have been utilised during the year, whether there

has

has been any overcrowding.

The following statement should be completed:-

of such cases. The mortality statement should be in the following form:-

1 Name of Hospital	2 Number of beds available				3 Average daily sick.				4 The maximum no. treated on any one day during the year and the date.
	Men	Women	Children	Total	Men	Women	Children	Total	
Europeans									
Natives.									

- (b) new buildings completed during the year,
(c) alterations,
(d) repairs,
(e) lime-washing.

(2) Total Treated -

(a) out-patients-

- (1) number treated,
(2) average daily sick,

(b) in-patients-

- (1) remaining,
(2) admissions,
(3) discharged - cured,
relieved,
otherwise,
deaths.

(3) Mortality, particularly dealing with septic diseases acquired in the hospitals and the measures taken to prevent the recurrence of

Name of Hospital

Total no. of deaths.
Ratio per cent of deaths to total treated.
Cases admitted moribund.
Cases removed moribund.
Deaths from septic diseases acquired in hospital.
Acquired before admission.
Ratio per cent of deaths to total treated exclusive of cases admitted moribund.

Remarks

Cases removed moribund should be included in deaths.

The total number of cases actually treated for septic diseases in the hospital should also be stated.

(4) Classes of diseases treated.

(5) Operations. - Selected list of Surgical Operations in the following form showing the number of each performed by individual officers. (The term officers includes both medical men and women attached to hospitals and dispensaries):-

(11) Working of special departments as that of the Dental Surgeon.

Names and titles of subscribers or donors of rupees fifty and upwards during the year.

(b) expenditure -

Subsidiary Instructions.

(b) Statement V, part I, expenditure, column 4 (a), ---
Medical officers. There should be foot-note showing
how much of this was expended on -

(b) Medical subordinates, permanent and acting

(c) Miscellaneous charges in statement V should include-

(6)

Matron

(7) Epidemics.— C.H.F. No. 17 to be attached when cholera has been treated.

(9) Training of nurses and midwives with income and expenditure on Training Schools.

(10) Working of nursing institute in the General Hospital. - The

- (6) municipal taxes,
- (7) registers and forms,
- (8) stationery,
- (9) postage and telegrams,
- (10) furniture and repairs,
- (11) conservancy, when any,
- (12) advertisements,
- (13) printing charges.
- (13) Average cost per patient.

The cost per patient under the different heads other than diet in C.M.F.No.5 should be made on the basis of ten out-patients being taken as equivalent to one in-patient.

Statement V, column 2, should be completed as concerns the name of the institution and date of its being opened.

(14) Special funds as "the poor fund" in General Hospital.

(15) Supplies.— How the system of obtaining them has worked.

- (1) medicines,
- (2) instruments and their repairs,
- (3) diet articles,
- (4) hospital necessities,
- (5) furniture and its repairs,
- (6) bedding and clothing,
- (7) extra equipment.

(16) Lighting.

(17) Working of establishments according to departments.

(18) Inspections and remarks of visitors.

(19) Verification of stock:

(20) Verification of service registers.

(21) Each medical officer in charge shall attach to his administration report a list showing the sanctioned establishment, and quote the number and date of the Government Order sanctioning the last proposition statement.

(22) General remarks."

THE GOVERNMENT CONSIDERS THAT THE PROFESSIONAL REPORTS MAY

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BE OMITTED IN FUTURE FROM THE ANNUAL "BRIEF NOTES."

I hope Government will reconsider its orders regarding the omission of the professional reports. As the Presidency hospitals are highly organised, these reports afford valuable information to the members of the profession. They were originally sanctioned in G.O.No.1543, Public, dated 7th December 1882 and continued to be thus published until the receipt of G.O.No.2229, Public, dated 23rd September 1885 when they were omitted from the annual report and were published separately for the next 6 years. When the Annual report on special institutions in the Presidency Town were separately compiled -- under G.O.No.25, Public, dated 12th January 1892, the professional reports were again included and favourably reviewed by Government in G.O.No.623, Public, dated 5th September 1892.

2. PARAGRAPH 4. SURGEON-GENERAL'S ATTENTION WILL BE DRAWN TO PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE LETTER OF THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA RECORDED IN G.O.NO.1212, PUBLIC, DATED 11th NOVEMBER 1896.

The instructions contained in paragraph 3 of the letter of the Government of India embodied in G.O.No.1212, Public, dated 11th November 1896 will be attended to in future reports.

3. PARAGRAPH 5. IT WOULD BE WELL IF STEPS WERE TAKEN TO ENSURE A MORE CORRECT CLASSIFICATION IN FUTURE OF INDIGENOUS DRUGS.

The Director-General, Indian Medical Service, having been consulted on the subject, his opinion is published in the form of a departmental Standing Order (quoted below) of which a copy is in your office, and I hope the orders on it will ensure a more correct classification in future.

"The following definition of European and Bazaar Medicines, as laid down by the Director-General, Indian Medical Service, is notified for the information and guidance of Medical Officers and subordinates in Civil employ, who should strictly conform to them in filling up column 4 (b) in statement V, part I, of the Annual Returns:— "By "European Medicines" is meant medicines prepared or manufactured in Europe or originally procured

from

from there. "Bazaar Medicines" are medicines purchased in the Bazaar. Quinine is not a Bazaar Medicine as it is not a Native preparation."

4. PARAGRAPH 7. THE REMARKS OF THE SURGEON-GENERAL, ON THE STEWARD'S DEPARTMENT IN THE LEPER AND MATERNITY HOSPITALS SHOULD FORM THE SUBJECT OF A SEPARATE COMMUNICATION.

My remarks on the latter has already been forwarded -- through the Accountant-General, vide my letter No. T-5/35, dated 14th October 1897 and that on the former will be submitted as soon as complete information is received from the Superintendent of that Hospital.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. J. Somers

Major-General,

Surgeon-General

at the Govt. of Madras.

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S. A.

There are no copies of the departmental standing order quoted by the S. G. in his letter ^{in the library} vide slip attached.

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- (1) Copies of 1897 are not available. I have got a copy of 1896 which I send herewith.
(2) I send you a copy this morning. I have put a fourth file. 1907 15/12/97

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REQUISITION FOR LIBRARY BOOKS.

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published by the Surgeon General
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Date 14/12/ 1897
Signature W. H. Murray
Designation Deputy

C. No. 4963

~~HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.~~

THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.C.I.E.

~~THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.~~

SUBJECT.

Administration Report of the
Presidency town Medical
Institutions.

C.S.

FOR ORDERS.

In G.O. no. 1086, reviewing
the Surgeon-General's administra-
tion Report on the Medical
Institutions of the Presidency town,
para. 1, the attention of the
Surgeon-General was once more
called to the remarks of the Govt
of India recorded in G.O. no. 1081
Puth, dated 2nd August 1887.

In ~~the~~ its letter
recorded in that G.O. the
Government of India drew a
distinction between (1) reports which
were to continue to be submitted
annually as before and
(2) Reports which were to be
submitted every three years,
statistical returns a brief notes
only being sent in in the inter-
mediate years. It ~~was~~ also

gave a list of special reports
in the case of which no
change was to be made.

Among the latter list was
the Report of the Calcutta
Medical Institutions. Further
Madras and Bombay Medical
institutions appear on the list
of special reports. It was
therefore presumably the intention
of the Government of India
that the reports of the Medical
institutions of Madras should go
in class (2) above, namely one
of the Reports which were
to be submitted in full every ^{third} year
as brief commentaries and
statistical notes only being sent
in the intermediate years.

That this was the
view taken by the Government of
Madras is clear from G.O.

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para. of which the 'triennial'
report of the Surgeon General, &
the annual 'brief notes'
are mentioned.

The ~~trip~~ triennial

report of the Surgeon General
submitted in 1896 but his report
1897 was as remarked in G.O. No.
even longer than that report. It
suggested the Surgeon General pro-
posed against the ~~idea~~ idea that his
should of ~~been~~ been longer and so
in his opinion the report should
be of the same length as the Calcutta.
He quotes the Departmental Stand-
ard on the subject.

The report in ques-
tion is with the enclosures 124 pages.
Calcutta report the model upon which
the G.O. apparently wishes to base
one is only 37 1/2 pages while the
report is still more moderate being
only 29 pages. Copies are attached
for inspection. The price of the Board
Rs 0:4:6 as against Rs 0 for the
Madras report. A perusal of the Bo-
report which is taken as the basis
comparison (as the Calcutta report
placed by the Government of India is
the list of special reports which
to be submitted annually) will show
that this is what the Government of
India contemplated in their ~~1891~~ 1891
quoted above ^{that it should be} mainly a statisti-
cal record compressed into the
briefest dimensions. There are no
separate reports at all. The Madras
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various institutions. These are ordered in the C.O. in question to be omitted in future from the "brief notes". The S.C. asks for a reconsideration of the order. But it seems clear from the letter from the Government of India of 30th December 1891 (at E) that the Government of India do not care for these reports. Nor can their publication be said to fall under the head of information which is necessary "to test departmental efficiency and the judgment ^{or} energy of officers, and also for checking and correcting administrative mistakes."

The report in itself, with the omission of these reports, devoid of interest as they are to the general public, and without significance to the Government (in view of the above definition of that is required in a report) would make the Madras report still cover some 9 pages more than the Calcutta report, and 16 pages more than the Bombay report. Submitted that the relative length of the Bombay and Calcutta reports may be brought to the notice of the Surgeon General and that he may be informed that the Government see no reason to reconsider their decision on this point.

This Govt. has accepted the view of the Govt of India as to the curtailment of the reports, and there is no sufficient reason to go back.

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A The Surgeon General no doubt has
copies of the Calcutta and Bombay
reports in his office and therefore it
is not necessary to send him copies. It
may, however, be thought ~~un~~ objection-
-able to refer him to those reports, ~~un~~
with the remark that perhaps he may be
able to compress his own report into
smaller limits by the adoption of some
of the forms of statements contained
in them.

The other points noted in the
G.O. have received attention. The
question of the Steward's establish-
-ment in the Maternity Hospital has
recently been disposed of and the
additional establish-ment granted.

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REPORTS ON PRESIDENCY TOWN STATE
HOSPITALS.READ LETTER FROM THE SURGEON GENERAL
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS, DATED
23RD NOVEMBER 1897. ~~ES~~ (abstract)

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with reference to para. 1 of his letter

THE SURGEON GENERAL WILL BE INFORMED
that the Madras Government has accep-
-ted the view of the Government of
India as set forth in their ~~letter~~
Resolution published in G.O. No. 1081
Pub. 2nd August 1887 as to the
curtailment of these reports and
sees no reason to reconsider its
decision in the matter.

- 2 The attention of the Surgeon General
will be invited to the report on the
~~Madras Presidency Town Hospitals~~
Civil Medical Institutions in the
City of Bombay for the year 1895. ~~1~~
The Government observe that the ~~Mad~~
report on the Bombay institutions
consists of ~~only~~ only 29 pages and
contains no professional reports.

~~part~~ Apart from the professional
reports the Madras report is ^{some} 16
pages longer than the Bombay report.
and the Government observe that pro-
-bably the Madras annual report could
be still further shortened by the
adoption of some of the forms of state-
-ments ~~contained in it~~ and in Bombay.

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Surgeon Genl (H.O.) Dec 14/97

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