

Public (1898) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 495

DATED 31-3-88

[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing the Solicitor that the charges against  
by Ramaswami Doss, late steward  
of the Govt. Maternity Hospital, other  
than those relating to oil supplied  
to Messrs Best & Co, will be withdrawn  
stating that the sum, which Mr. Brahma  
the sup<sup>rt</sup> of the hospital, will be  
requested to pay in order to make good  
the deficiencies in the hospital cash-  
books, will be half the net loss to Govt.

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Public (1897) Department.

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in Order

From  
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No. 875

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Dated 15.  
Received 15 } 12. 97  
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Is there any appeal. If so  
wait till appeal time  
has expired.

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P.S. as a fine of Rs 500 was imposed, SUBJECT.  
there is an appeal to the High Ct. Stating that if Ramasami does  
within 60 days (J. div. act. Sec. II late Stewart of the Maternity  
Sec. 155) The sentence was passed on Hospital has been convicted of  
13<sup>th</sup> Dec. appeal time expires Criminal breach of trust and  
in middle of February. The Govt. Sol. Enquiring whether the other charge  
may be ordered to inform Govt. if on which Evidence was not  
appeal is filed.

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CURRENT No 4853

No 875

Madras 14th December 1897

From,

William Morgan

Ag Government Solicitor

Madras

To,

The Chief Secretary

to Government



Sir,

C With reference to the order of the Madras Government No 1407 dated the 28th of February 1897 I have the honor to inform you that S. Parasuram Iyengar late Steward of the Government Maternity Hospital Madras was tried yesterday before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, was convicted of criminal Breach of trust as a public servant and was sentenced to six months rigorous imprisonment with a fine of Rs 500 or in default of payment thereof to further rigorous imprisonment for three months. 2. Evidence was only recorded in respect of three items mentioned in the information which items related to oil supplied by Messrs Best & Co and in respect of which the accused had received and appropriated sums aggregating Rs 231-4. 3. The other items included in the complaint stand over for the instructions of Government as to whether the Crown Prosecutor is to abandon the charges relating to same and I have the honor to ask for instructions on the subject.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

*W. Morgan*

Acting Government Solicitor

*Littlejohn*

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is requested to inform

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against his conviction

(from C&O orders)

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To the Joint Solicitor (9) accepted  
copy to the [unclear] 11-1-98

# Public (1898) Department.

CURRENT No.

From The Govt. Solicitor  
Madras.

In Orders

with ref to the rules at

No. 25

The Govt. Solicitor says

the appeal time has Dated 17<sup>th</sup> Jan 1898

Expired, that item 155 Received 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 1898

(Second Schedule) Act 15 Registered 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 1898

of 1877 seems to be

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20/1/98

Memo to Govt. Sot. No 178 of 24-1-98

SUBJECT.

with reference to his letter no. 25 of 17<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1898, <sup>per. 2.</sup> the Govt. Sot. is requested to report whether under Act XV of 1877 Hospital, Madras, has not-  
2nd Schedule, item 155. The period appeared against his conviction  
of appeal is not 60 days. If this is the case, the appeal time will not  
expire till the middle of Feb.

Informing that G Ramaswami  
Doss, late Steward, Govt. Maternity  
Hospital, Madras, has not-  
+ that he has allowed for  
such appeal has expired.

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To the Govt. Solicitor (memo only)

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No.

Madras 17th January 1898.

From,

Ernest Barclay

Government Solicitor

Madras.



To,

The Chief Secretary to Government

Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the Memorandum of Government no. 73, dated 11th instant, I have the honor to inform you that I have ascertained from the Presidency Magistrate's Court Egmore that G. Ramasamy Doss, late Steward, Government Maternity Hospital, Madras, has not appealed against his conviction.

2. The time allowed for such appeal has expired.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

*Ernest Barclay*

Government Solicitor.

Public  
Judicial (1898) Department.

P.S. <sup>W.I.</sup> 12/2/98 CURRENT No. 44

The govt. Sol. stated ~~that~~ in the letter at A. that the appeal time in the Ex-Sheriff of the govt. Maternity hospital had expired. A memo was sent to him, and he now reports that it will not expire till the 13<sup>th</sup> prox. May the orders about From the Govt. Solicitor  
the other items (see notes at O) wait  
Order till that date? *madra.*

<sup>MSL</sup> 27/8 *nes* 98 No. 44

*48* To be over till the 13th proximo Dated 25<sup>th</sup> Jan 98

*CW* 31.1.98 <sup>MSL</sup> 31/8

Received 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 98  
Registered 27<sup>th</sup> Jan 98  
Enclosures  
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*Ref* Bring up on the 10th Feb  
*Overlooked this until now*

*CP* 31/1/98

*Ref* OM. NO. 464 18-2-98 <sup>For</sup> 18/2/98

SUBJECT.

The Govt. Solicitor is requested to return the enclosures which accompanied G.O. No. 1407 Public of 26.10.97.

Stating that the period of appeal ~~is~~ 15 in memo. 29.1.78 of 24.1.98 is 60 days & that the appeal time will not expire till the 13<sup>th</sup> prox.

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*MSL* 18/2/98

[Note. These should have been called for long ago]

To the Govt. Solicitor (memo only)

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No. 44

Madras 25th January 1898.

From,

Ernest Barclay

Government Solicitor

M A D R A S.



To,

The Chief Secretary to Government

M a d r a s.

Sir,

With reference to your Memorandum No. 178 dated 24th instant I have the honor to state that the period of appeal is 60 days and that the appeal time will not expire till the 13th Proximo.  
2. When writing my letter No. 25 dated 17th January 1898 I mistook the date 13th December 1897 on the Crown Prosecutor's brief for 13th November 1897.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

*Ernest Barclay*

Government Solicitor.

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Admission is refused to all  
persons who are not  
in possession of a  
valid pass or other  
document of identity  
issued by the  
proper authorities.

It is requested that  
you will be good  
enough to inform  
the proper authorities  
of the above.

memo 464 4853/97  
18-2-98

Public (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 719.



From

Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthorpe,  
C.B., F.R.C.P.I.,  
Surgeon-General with the Government  
of Madras.

Order

No. 175

Subm<sup>d</sup> that Dr Branfoot's  
application maybe held over pending  
consideration of the question as to whether  
the Ex-Steward of the Govt. Maternity Received  
Hospital is to be further prosecuted Registered  
on the other items included in the Enclosures  
complaint which still stand over. Spare copies  
If it is decided to proceed with them  
also, the evidence recorded in respect  
of them maybe important in considering  
Dr B's request.

SUBJECT.

The appeal time in respect of the  
items on which the Ex-Steward was  
convicted expired on the 13<sup>th</sup> instant  
and the Govt. Solicitor has been  
requested to return the papers

Forwarding copy of a letter from  
Brigade-Surgeon-Lieut.-Colonel A.M.  
Branfoot, Superintendent, Government  
Maternity Hospital, Madras, regarding  
the amount of the deficiencies in  
the Hospital cash chest to be made  
good by him.

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which were sent to him with  
 No 1407 of 26.10.97

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*[Faint handwritten notes in Tamil script, likely bleed-through from the reverse side of the page.]*

Enclosure No. / to Letter No. 1751/17

Copy of a letter from Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant  
 -Colonel A.M. Branfoot, M.B., Superintendent, Government  
 Maternity Hospital, Madras, to the Secretary to the Surgeon  
 -General with the Government of Madras, No.20 dated 11th  
 February 1898.

In reference to G.O. ~~No.~~ No.1407 dated 26th  
 October 1897, I have the honor to report that G. Ramaswamy  
 Doss, late steward of the Government Maternity Hospital,  
 was convicted by the Presidency Magistrate, Egmore, on the  
 16th December 1897 of misappropriation of money, and  
 sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment and a fine  
 of Rs.500. There has, I understand, been no appeal against  
 this sentence, but the fine has not at present been paid.

2. I have now <sup>to</sup> solicit final instructions as to the  
 formal dismissal of the late steward, and the adjustment  
 of the deficient balance found in the cash chest.

3. The deficiencies in the cash chest amounted to  
 Rs.1,972-3-9 and I would ask that before calculating the  
 half of the deficiency which the Government has called on  
 me to pay, the security money and fine, if paid, together  
 with half a month's pay due to the steward, and a small  
 amount for interest on security money undrawn by him may  
 be deducted from this sum.

4. The deficiency would then stand as follows:-

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|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Deficiencies-----                 | Rs.1972-3-9 |
| Security money-----               | Rs.500-0-0  |
| Interest on the above-----        | Rs. 8-8-8   |
| Pay refunded to Account-}         | Rs. 50-8-10 |
| -ant-General.                     |             |
| Fine, (if paid)-----              | Rs.500-0-0  |
|                                   | Rs.1059-1-6 |
| Deficiencies after deduction----- | Rs. 913-2-3 |
| Half of this amount-----          | Rs. 456-9-2 |
| or if the fine is not paid-----   | Rs. 706-9-2 |

As I adjusted the balance myself as soon as the money was  
 found deficient, the amount to be refunded to me by the  
 Accountant General will be :-

If the fine is deducted -----Rs. 1,515-10-7  
 If the fine is not deducted.-----Rs.1,265-10-7

5. I would further wish to point out that even had I counted the cash balance of the steward a few days before I did, and found all correct, I could not have prevented the misappropriation of some of the sums, such as Rs. 456-7-8 undisbursed pay of nurses and nurse-pupils which had only just been drawn from the bank, and that money must have been found by him to replace all the other items or my attention would have been drawn to out-standings, as was the case with the unpaid bills of Messrs Best and Co., which attracted my attention. I am unable to find any order calling upon officers in my position to count cash balances themselves, and I was under the impression that if the cash books were correctly kept, and my monthly bills were correctly submitted, my pecuniary responsibility in this direction was at an end, and that the reason for taking a security from the steward was to cover possible defalcations such as have <sup>now</sup> come to light.

(True copy)

*J. B. Ellis*

Surgeon-Captain,

Secretary to the Surgeon-General

with the Government of Madras.

*Carroll*

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No. 175

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OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras, the 17th February 1898

From

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

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

\* No 20 of 11 Febry '98

I have the honor to submit for the orders of Government copy of a letter from Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Bronfoot, Superintendent, Government Military Hospital, Madras, requesting that in calculating the amount of the deficiencies in the hospital cash chest, a moiety of which has to be made good by him, all the sums with interest which may be recovered from the late Steward may be deducted from the same. Apart from the fact that Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Bronfoot's valuable services at the important institution, over which he has presided for so many years with so much credit to himself and benefit to the State and to the public call for every consideration, the request preferred by him appears to be most reasonable and I venture to strongly recommend the same for the favorable consideration of Government if Government will not meet the total loss itself.

2. With reference to para 2 of his letter the Superintendent, has been directed to take immediate action towards the formal dismissal of the late steward.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

*C. Sibthorpe*

Surgeon-Major-General,  
Surgeon-General with the Government of  
Madras.

*Carroll*

# Public (1898) Department.

CURRENT No.

From The Local Solicitor  
Madras.

Order No. 550, 1-3-98

No. 99.

The Surgeon-General is  
requested to obtain from the  
Supt, Govt. Maternity Hospital, Dated 23. 2. 98  
and submit to Govt the explanation  
of the Ex-Steward which was  
returned to him by the Govt.  
Solicitor with his letter No. 17  
dated the 17<sup>th</sup> [sublime]

Received 23. 2. 98  
Registered 24. 2. 98  
Enclosures 2 (324 and 24)  
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SUBJECT.

To <sup>MC</sup> 25/1/98  
The Surg-Genl.  
(memo only) — dated 1-2-98  
O.M. No. 563, 2-3-98  
The Govt. Solicitor is requested with L.O. n. 1407 P.H. 8/26. Oct. 97  
to forward copies of the complaint  
lodged before the Police Court in re  
case of the Ex-Steward of the Govt.  
Maternity Hospital, Madras, and of the judgment

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convicting him of criminal breach  
of trust as a public servant.

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To  
The Govt. Solicitor  
(memo only)

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No. 99

Madras, 23rd February 1898.

From,

Ernest Barclay

Government Solicitor

M A D R A S

To,

The Chief Secretary to Government

M A D R A S

Sir,

W i t h reference to your Memorandum No 464 dated 18th instant.

*with the proper files*  
I have the honor to return herewith the enclosures which were sent to me with G. O. No. 1407, Public, dated 26th October 1897, except the -  
Stewards' explanation which was returned by me to the Superintendent, -  
Government Maternity Hospital, Madras, with my letter No 24 dated 17th  
Ultimo.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,

*Ernest Barclay*

Government Solicitor

Public (189<sup>8</sup>) Department.

CURRENT No. 912

From The Govt. Solicitor  
Madras

Order

No. 126

Dated 5  
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SUBJECT.

Forwarding copies of the  
complaint and judgment  
in re the case of the Steward  
of the Govt. Maternity hospital.

To await 2 G's reply  
to memo No 500 d/1. 3.98  
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Govt. Solicitor 17 January 1898. 3. May 1898



## Information and Complaint

In the Chief Presidency Magistrates  
Court Egmore.

Town of Madras  
To wit

The information and complaint  
of Arthur Mudge Braufoot Superintendent  
-ent Government Maternity Hospital  
Madras residing at Egmore taken  
and made upon oath this day  
of November 1897 before Her Majesty's  
Justices of the Peace and Chief  
Presidency Magistrate in and for  
the Town of Madras aforesaid.

The said Arthur Mudge  
Braufoot saith as follows:-

1. That on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of June 1897  
I caused to be paid to G.

Ramaswamy Doss who was then  
a Public Servant in the employ  
of Government holding the appointments  
of Steward of the Government  
Maternity Hospital a sum of

Rs 1246. 13. 8 for the purpose

Judgment.

purpose inter alia of paying  
thereout a sum of Rs 112. 8. 0  
to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Best & Co., of Madras,  
in respect of kerosine oil supplied  
by them to the said Maternity  
Hospital.

2. That the said G. Ramaswamy  
Doss entered in his cashbook  
the said sum of Rs 112. 8. 0 as  
having been paid by him to  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Best & Co. on the 5<sup>th</sup> day  
of June 1897 but such sum was  
in fact not paid.

3. That on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June  
1897 I caused to be paid to the  
said G. Ramaswamy Doss a sum  
of Rs 1094. 8. 10 for the purpose  
inter alia of paying thereout a  
sum of Rs 56. 4. 0 to Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Best & Co. of Madras in respect  
of kerosine oil supplied by them  
to the said Maternity Hospital.

4. That the said G. Ramaswamy  
Doss entered in his cashbook the

the said sum of Rs 56. 4. 0 as  
having been paid by him to  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Best & Co. on the 24<sup>th</sup> day  
of June 1897 but such sum was  
in fact not paid.

5. That on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of July  
1897 I caused to be paid to the  
said G. Ramaswamy Doss a sum  
of Rs 1035. 8. 10 for the purpose  
inter alia of paying thereout a  
sum of Rs 112. 8. 0 to Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Best & Co. of Madras in respect  
of kerosine oil supplied by them  
to the said Maternity Hospital.

6. That the said G. Ramaswamy  
Doss entered in his cashbook the  
said sum of Rs 112. 8. 0 as having  
been paid by him to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Best  
& Co. on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1897 but such sum was in fact  
not paid.

7. That on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1897 I caused to be paid to the  
said G. Ramaswamy Doss a sum

sum of Rs 601. 15. 6 for the purpose  
of paying same to the Establishment  
of the said Maternity Hospital. That  
out of such sum he paid four  
sums of Rs 48. 11. 2. Rs 9. 12. 8  
Rs 62. + Rs 25 or together Rs 145. 7. 10  
but have <sup>he</sup> failed to account for  
the balance of such sum viz Rs 456. 7. 8

8. That on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1897 the said G. Ramaswamy Doss  
received on behalf of the said  
Maternity Hospital of sum of  
Rs 150 from Mrs G. P. Clerk and  
entered the receipt of such sum  
in his cash book but has failed  
to account for same.

9. That on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1897 the said G. Ramaswamy Doss  
received on behalf of the said  
Maternity Hospital a sum of  
Rs 80. from Mrs Stanes and entered  
the receipt of such sum in his  
cash book but has failed to  
account for same.

10. That I charge the said G.  
Ramaswamy Doss with having  
committed the offences of criminal  
misappropriation and Criminal Breach  
of Trust in respect of such & several  
sums of Rs 112. 8. Rs 56. 4 Rs 112. 8  
Rs 456. 7. 8 Rs 150 and Rs 80 -  
punishable under Sections 404, 406,  
408 and 409 of the Indian Penal  
Code within the cognizance of the  
Chief Presidency Magistrates Court  
of Egmore, Madras, and ask  
that a Warrant may be issued  
for arrest.

Sworn to at Madras  
this day of November 1897.

Before me.

True Copy

Emmet Barclay  
Ct Solicitor



Chief Presidency Magistrates Court  
Coimbatore

Calendar Case No of 1894

Queen Empress of India on  
the prosecution of Brigade Surgeon  
Lt. Col. D. M. Branfoot.

— (12) —  
G. Ramaswamy Doss

Information and Complaint

Nº 126  
Madras 5<sup>th</sup> March 1898.

From  
Ernest Barclay.  
Government Solicitor  
Madras

To  
The Chief Secretary to Government.  
Madras

Sir,

As requested in your Memorandum  
Nº 563 Public, dated the 2<sup>nd</sup> instant  
I have the honor to forward herewith copies  
of the Complaint in re case of the Lp.  
Gleward of the Government Maternity  
Hospital Madras and of the Judgment  
convicting him of Criminal breach of  
trust as a public servant; -

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

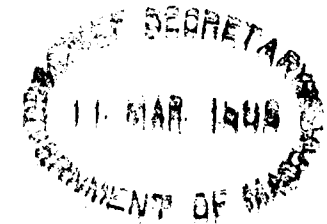
Your Obedient Servant

Ernest Barclay

Government Solicitor

**Public (1898) Department.**

**CURRENT No.**



**From**

Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthorpe,  
C.I., F.R.C.P.I.,  
Surgeon-General with the Government  
of Madras

No. 228

**Dated** 10<sup>th</sup> March.

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**SUBJECT.**

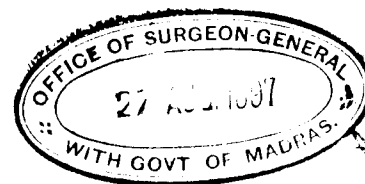
Submitting the explanation of the  
Ex-Steward, Government Maternity Hos-  
-pital, which has been obtained from  
the Superintendent of that institu-  
-tion as directed.

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Madras 27<sup>th</sup> August 1897.

The Superintendent  
Govt. Maternity Hospital  
Madras.

Most Respected Sir,

Referring to your memo no 449  
of 19<sup>th</sup> Inst, calling upon me to offer such expla-  
nations as I have regarding the irregularities  
in the accounts and disbursement of money in  
cash chest, I humbly beg to submit that  
although it is quite against my will to  
disclose certain transactions yet under  
the present circumstances I am driven  
to the extremity of explaining these.  
Considering the sad predicament in which  
I am now placed after serving Government  
earnestly and faithfully for a period of 19 years.  
I was entrusted by your honor in the  
year 1882 on a salary Rs 35/- and  
I have been discharging my duties

working in the hospital and reported  
to the Government, nor was this  
acknowledged, to engage another  
attendant. Clerk at my own  
expense besides the one working at  
home and for the two clerks I had  
to pay Rs 1/- per month for a period  
of 4 years out of my standing pay  
and although frequent representations  
were made to you for assistance,  
no assistance was given me in spite  
of the protest of the Diet Committee.  
I was thus made to work away  
how as it was your desire that  
the work should be done even at  
the risk of my health and comfort  
and although it entailed a loss  
to me. Your honor might very  
well remember that at times  
I made certain complaints regarding  
the non payment of hospital

stoppage by some of the patients who were  
away without paying the same and when  
this was brought to your notice and  
when I explained that I was kept  
back by pressure of work from  
recovering the money due by some  
of the patients from time to time  
and as the patients taking the  
advantage of my absence  
from the ward at the time  
of their going left Hospital  
without paying the said stoppage  
and instead of taking steps  
to write off such items you  
peremptorily ordered me to  
pay for them out of my pocket  
and not only that you have  
also threatened me with fines  
and dismissals for the recurrence  
of the sort and finding no relief

But the case is not recovering the money due by some  
that money was not  
received, in which case  
of work might be done  
by the patients  
but that money actually  
received in hand has  
vanished. No pressure  
from the patients.

was granted to me in reporting the same  
to you on several occasions I invariably  
asked for the stoppages that were  
the Cause - and you could  
imagine what must be the  
amount that I should have  
paid in this form for the last 17  
years. The hospital is a large  
Establishment full of furniture  
and Crockery and the repairs and  
breakages in this direction are  
enormous and when bills are  
submitted to you they were considered  
to be very heavy and only a  
portion of them was paid while  
the other portion I was made  
to pay and observing that  
there was no chance of recovery  
the same. I incurred loss in  
this direction by bearing

a portion of the cost of repairs  
bills and replacing the broken  
Crockery by fresh ones at my cost.  
This was another way of making  
me pay for the Hospital although  
you know that I was a poor  
man and could not afford  
to meet such expenses. It might  
be within your recollection and  
it is not a long time ago that  
Holl and Grills that were supplied  
to the Hoofbe Quakers by your order  
through Mr D'Prager the then  
apothecary in charge of Gynecological  
block and the bills were submitted  
for nearly \$200/- you totally  
rejected the same - although  
Mr D'Prager informed you  
that it was done with your  
permission and consequently  
when the workmen pressed for the  
wages I had to defray the whole

~~to go to fronting packet~~  
In the year 1891, owing to a slight  
~~disturbance~~ in publishing business,  
I ~~lost~~ proper times you permitted  
me by making me supply the  
old articles at the previous  
contract rates and thus made  
me to sustain some loss.  
On this direction also, although  
it was well known to you  
that the rates were very  
low you insisted only the  
interests of Government but  
never tried or attempted  
to learn how or by what means  
I managed to do so. Several  
times of the ~~times~~ I had  
the misfortune to sustain  
for the last 17 years and I  
humbly beg to submit for

for ~~the~~ consideration of the  
of my position and means and I  
could have paid and recouped the  
losses for such a long duration  
not for one or two years but for a  
series of years.

The deficiency of money in  
Cash Chest is not due to the amount  
having been taken away by me,  
and misappropriated for my private  
use but it is the deficiency caused  
by the recouping of such losses  
occasioned as aforesaid for the  
last 17 years under the various  
headings above quoted. In the  
year 1895 you expressed an  
intention to examine the cash  
and thus gave me an opportunity  
to be prepared with the same which  
I did by borrowing some money and

replacing the deficiency in Cash balance  
and when you checked the accounts  
you were pleased to pass it  
although ~~then~~ I said that with  
regard to the balance which  
was still due when I informed  
you that the above balance  
represented advances made  
by me to various workmen.  
I am a man of a large family  
at present drawing a nominal  
pay of Rs 100/- and this maximum  
I reached after a protracted period  
of service for 17 years in this  
Hospital with gradual increments  
from Rs 35/- and it might  
very well be imagined how  
I gained my present position  
with unstained moral character.  
Whatever maybe the amount

of deficiency I am responsible for  
the same accrued in recouping  
these losses. At times when  
the bills were refused payment  
and the workmen pressed for  
their wages I had to pay ~~it~~ it out  
out of the money I had at my  
command? lest I might ~~incur~~  
incur your displeasure  
should I trouble you again  
after you had once refused  
payment of the same - My  
sole object and aim in doing  
so was merely to show implicit  
obedience to you and to ensure  
successful working of the  
hospital in which I was  
employed - and not to incur  
your displeasure at any cost.  
Thus in the course of discharging  
these functions I was driven

to this plight for doing any wrong whatever  
but because I tried to serve my  
Master, obediently, honestly, and  
earnestly, ~~but~~ in the matter to  
gain his good graces.

With reference to the irregularities  
in the accounts I beg to submit  
that owing to the advances  
having had to be paid previous  
to the commencement of the work  
and ~~putting on a point~~ of the deficiency  
of the Cash with me occasionally  
after as aforesaid. Some of  
the bills of various firms were  
paid away to the above reasons  
until long after their payment  
were actually made & entered  
in the Book. This is a matter  
of recent years and it could

not have escaped your observation  
for, I several times personally  
represented to you the extreme  
difficulties I was experiencing  
and you neither asked to ~~release~~  
me from them nor called ~~me~~  
to explain subsequently how I paid  
and recovered these losses. Knowing  
as you did that the various  
items above mentioned had  
not been paid by the ~~proper~~ office.

In short the ~~deficiency~~ deficiency  
that was thus caused has  
a ~~continued~~ from time to time  
during the regime of ~~work~~  
my office by the accumulation  
of the various heads of losses  
during the period above mentioned.

Minally in your zeal to  
protect the interests of the Govt. you  
strained me and teased me to such

to our miserable extent that I  
was actually reduced to the most  
improvised circumstances and  
by now making me pay for the  
Hospital Stoppers, by not paying  
a portion of the furniture repair  
bills from time to time by  
compelling me to replace the  
broken crockery at my own cost  
by refusing payment of certain  
bills and by ordering me to  
supply the Diet articles at low  
rates I was rendered helpless,  
hopeless with a large burden of  
debts hanging on my head, on  
one side and the threat of a gloomy  
future consequent on present charge  
of circumstances on the other.  
I have now and I strongly believe  
that it is your sole intention  
to make me pay for all these  
to acquit yourself creditably  
to Government and to

at the risk & expense of a poor  
man like me whose family  
& children are now left in  
abject poverty after serving  
the Govt earnestly & faithfully  
honestly and obediently for a  
period of 17 years during which  
time no defect of any kind  
was attributed and having had  
always in view the object  
of getting a good name & secure  
credit to the masters  
under whose service I  
might also mention that  
my present straitened  
circumstances and the sad  
predicament in which I am  
now placed in anticipation of  
future ignominy & shame  
are all due to my zeal to protect  
and to guard the interest



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CURRENT NO. 477

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL,  
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,  
Madras, the 10th March 1898

From

C.B.,  
SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL F. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,  
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SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

Adverting to your Memorandum No.550, Public,  
dated 1st March 1898, I have the honor to submit the expla-  
-nation in question of the Ex-Steward, Government Maternity  
Hospital, which has been obtained from the Superintendent  
of that institution as directed.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

*C. Sibthorpe*

Surgeon-Major-General,

Surgeon-General with the Government of  
Madras.

*C. Sibthorpe*

C. No. 4853 of 1897  
+ 216, 363, 719, 771, 912 + 977 of 1898

SUBJECT.

Case of Ex-Steward of the  
Govt. Maternity Hospital.

FOR ORDERS.

Attention is solicited to notices  
and orders in G.O. No. 1407 of 26.10.97.  
In that G.O. the Govt. directed  
the prosecution of Ramasami Doss,  
ex-Steward of the Govt. Maternity  
Hospital, in connection with certain  
deficiencies <sup>to the extent of Rs 1972</sup> in his cash chest &  
called upon the Supt. (Dr. Bramp) to  
make good half the amount of  
deficiency. Ramasami Doss was  
accordingly tried before the Chief  
Residency Magistrate, Egmore,  
and sentenced to 6 months  
rigorous imprisonment and a  
fine of Rs 500 in default to 3  
months rigorous imprisonment.  
It has been ascertained by a  
reference to the Govt. Solicitor that  
the accused has not appealed.

against his sentence so that the appeal time (60 days according to Sec 155, Sch II, Indian Limitation Act) has already expired, the judgment having been pronounced on the 13<sup>th</sup> Dec: 1897 (C.No. 4853) as now to be considered. In that event the Govt. Solicitor states that evidence was only recorded in respect of three items mentioned in the information which items related to oil supplied to Messrs. Best & Co. and in respect of which the accused had received and appropriated sums aggregating Rs 281 & odd, and requests instructions as to whether the charges relating to other items should be abandoned. Such withdrawal is permissible under Sec. 240 Cr.P. which runs as follows:— "When more charges than one are made against the same person and when a conviction has been had on one or more of them, the Complainant or the officer conducting the prosecution may, with the consent of the Court, withdraw the remaining charge or charges x x. Such withdrawal

\* apparently with ref: to Sec. 234 C.C.P. according to which the accused shd not be tried for more than three offences of the same kind committed within a year.

φ vide paras 7 et seq of the Complaint (flag)

Of course this request will be complied with; the deduction of the security money from the total amount of the defalcation has already been ordered.

M.A.

\* It has already been decided that this should be deducted.

See below.

"shall have the effect of an acquittal on such charge or charges x x"

### (1) Orders are requested.

In C.No. 719 the Sd. forwards, with strong support, a letter from Mr. Branfoot requesting that in calculating the deficiencies in the hospital cash chest, a moiety of which has to be made good by him, all the sums with interest which may be recovered from the late Steward may be deducted from the same. These sums are detailed in para 3.4 of Mr. Branfoot's letter (to which attention is invited) and include security money with interest thereon, fine if paid, half a month's pay due to the Steward & refunded to the Accountant-General.

### (2) Orders are solicited

It is submitted that the remaining charges should be withdrawn.

(2) The order that Mr. Branfoot should make good only half the deficiency was based upon the fact that Rs 1500 was remitted.

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the remaining charges may be withdrawn.

Dr. Brauford will have to pay half the net loss to Govt. viz Rs 456-9-2 or Rs 706-9-2 according as the prisoner does or does not pay the fine of Rs 500.

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Public DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:--

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| (1) Again G.O., No. | 1407, dated         | 26.10.1897.                    |
| (2) Again G.O., No. | 1463, dated         | 13.11.1897.                    |
| (3) Current No.     | 4853 of 1897, dated | 15.12.97, from Govt. Solicitor |
| (4) " "             | 216 " 1898, "       | 17.1.98 " "                    |
| (5) " "             | 363 " 1898, "       | 26.1.98 " " Sur. Genl          |
| (6) " "             | 719 " 1898, "       | 18.2.98 " " Govt. Solicitor    |
| (7) " "             | 771 " " " "         | 23.2.98 " " "                  |
| (8) " "             | 912 " " " "         | 5.3.98 " " Sur. Genl           |
| (9) " "             | 977 " " " "         | 10.3.98 " " "                  |

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his. The Govt. Solicitor will be informed that the remaining charges against H. Kamasami Doras, late Steward of the Maternity Hospital, will be withdrawn. The sum which 2. Brigadier Sur. Lt. Col. A.M. Brauford will be required to pay, will be half the net loss to Govt., viz, Rs 456-9-2 or Rs 706-9-2, according as the convicted Steward does or does not pay the fine of Rs 500.

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