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Public (1897) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 522

Dated 8-5-98

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Stating with remarks that the matron Supt must be held responsible for 25 per cent of the post money amounting to Rs 583-5-6 lost at the Jail Hospital, Madras, on the night of the 24th February last, directing the refund to her of the balance of the sum which she has paid, and calling for certain particulars regarding a further sum of money lost that night at the Hospital.

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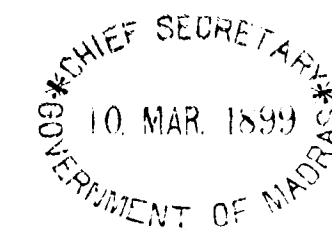
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Public (189 /) Department.

CURRENT No.



From

Surgeon General C. S. S. S. S.
 Surgeon General with the Govt. of Madras

In Orders, as to whether the
 recommendation in para 4
 of the Surgeon General's letter
 may be accepted.

Now
 A No. 111

The action of the Union
 Supt. in keeping money in a
 drawer is justified by long
 practice, but the Senior
 Medical Officer should issue
 instructions (if he has not
 already done so) that all
 undischarged sums of money
 should in future be
 properly secured in a
 cash chest.

Dated March
 Received 10. 3. 99.
 Registered 10. 3. 99.
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SUBJECT.

Reporting the occurrence of a theft
 at the General Hospital on the night
 of Saturday the 14th ultimo and
 requesting that the recommendation
 of the Senior Medical Officer for
 refunding the amount paid by the
 Major Superintendent, be sanctioned.

C. S. S. S. S.
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No. 222

From
SURGEON-GENERAL G. 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,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government the occurrence of a theft at the General Hospital on the night of Saturday the 4th ultimo under the following circumstances. Between 9 and 11 P.M. that night the linen room of the Hospital was broken into and an amount of Rs. 732-5-6 (partly in cash and partly in currency notes) including a sum of Rs. 523-5-6 being the undisbursed balance of pay of the Nurses and the menial servants of the Nursing establishment kept in a locked-up drawer was stolen therefrom. When the matter was reported to the Resident Medical Officer immediate information was given to the Police of the C. Division with the result that an enquiry was at once made by the Inspector. But neither this inquiry nor subsequent investigations conducted by the District Inspector and the Deputy Commissioner of Police has so far elicited any clue to the thief or money.

2. The Senior Medical Officer states that it has invariably been the practice for years past to deposit the undisbursed pay of nurses in the drawer of a table in the Linen room which is justly considered to be perfectly secure and not liable to be broken into unless there be collusion on the part of servants employed there in. This

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belonging to the Hospital & the
deposited ~~but~~ If this is used it
means some one has been
safe. But I submit it is not
impossible that the Matron
has a special place of
her own as the above might
be used. Under this also arrange-
-ments there will be an audit
under the Senior and Senior
Medical Officer and to perhaps
some sort of Office in which
the safe is the security kept.
It is not likely that the
Matron will keep her money
in a drawer.

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But where is the money to be
kept if there is no safe.
Is it a fact that there is no
safe connected with
the Office at the Genl Hospital.
If there is, the Matron should
have returned the undisbursed
salaries to safe custody.

If there is none, it is necessary
to purchase one for the Cashier's
use for any other purposes
at 7.5.99.

This is just the
kind of thing one may
be regarded as
anticipating.

NOTE FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY.

Public Dept-

Memo: N° 811, d/22-3-99,

With reference to
his letter No 222 dated
9. March 1899. the Surgeon
General is requested to report
whether there is in the
Office of the Senior Medical
Officer General Hospital,
a cash ^{box} ~~chest~~ for the
deposit deposit of
Govt. money -

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20.3.99 JN
28/3/99

The H.M. has
not passed orders on
the point whether
Govt. will accept the
loss of Rs 583.5-6,
Govt. money ~~lost~~
stolen from Mrs. Wisbett.
Apparently before the
passing orders, the H.M.
writes to know whether
there is a cash chest
in the General Hospital &
a memo. to the Surgeon
General is submitted.

It is very probable
that there is a safe
in the Hospital for
the deposit of
contingent money, money
collected from patients
etc -

Cd
20-3-99

fact appears to be recognized by the Police but the number of
hospital servants possibly implicated is so large as to make it
difficult to conclusively trace the offence to a particular
individual.

3. Nor can the holding over of such balances for
payment on the following day be avoided as payment in a single
day to all the employees of the Nursing establishment would
appear to be impracticable.

4. The sum of Rs. 583-5-6 kept by the Matron Super-
intendent has been made good by her, but regard being had to
the facts that the theft was due to causes which could not be
foreseen and that no extraordinary precautions for safety of
the money deposited in the drawer were considered necessary by
any Matron Superintendent or by any Senior Medical Officer,
Dr. Browne is of opinion that it would be a great hardship on
Mrs. Wisbett to hold her responsible for the loss and recom-
mends that the amount made good should be refunded to her. I
concur with the Senior Medical Officer that the Matron Super-
intendent is under the circumstances above explained, deserving
of this consideration and therefore solicit the sanction of
Government to the Senior Medical Officer's recommendation.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

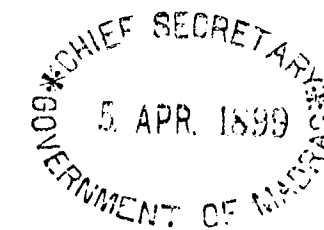
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Surgeon-General,

Surgeon-General with the Government
of Madras.

Public (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 1061.



Order

From
Surgeon General C. B. Sibthorpe
C. B., F.R.C.P.S.,

Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras

No. 5/62

Dated 30th March. 99.

Received }
Registered } 5. 4. 99

Enclosures —

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SUBJECT.

Informing that there is a cash
safe in the General Hospital
kept in a small room called
the strong room near the
Steward's Office.

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OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Camp Madras the 30th March 1899.

From

SURGEON-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,

With reference to your memorandum No. 811,

Public, dated the 22nd March 1899, I have the honor to state that the Senior Medical Officer, General Hospital, reports that there is a cash safe in the Hospital kept in a small room called the strong room near the Steward's office.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. Sibthorpe

Surgeon-General,

Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

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Public DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 1061 From the Surgeon General, No. J. 8/62, dated 30. 3 - 1897.

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For orders

Please see the

note at 1.

2. The Surgeon General reports that there is a Cash safe in the General Hospital, kept in a small room, called the strong room near the Steward's office.

2. It still remains to be decided whether the sum of Rs. 583. 5-6, lost money stolen from my niece, & made good by her, should be refunded to that lady.

Now that we know there is a safe, I should like to know why Mrs. Kesbitt did not make use of it, refunding the unexpended balance, instead of keeping it in a drawer.

Ms. A. 9. 2.

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6.4.92

Public Dept-

memo:- ^{N^o. 1008}
4/13-4-99.

With reference
to his letter no 7/8/62
dated 30 March 1899,
the Surgeon General is
requested to be good
enough to ascertain
& report why, when
there is a cash safe
in the General Hospital,
Mrs Mitchell did not
make use of it,
refusing to deposit
therein, the unexpended
balance of Govt. money,
Rs. 588-5-6, held by
her on the evening
of the 4th February 1899.

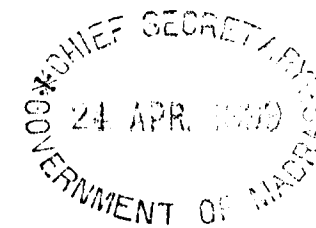
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To the Surgeon General

Public (1899) Department.

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From

From
Sergeant General L. Sibthorpe,
C.B., F.R.C.P.D.,
Sergeant General with the Government
of Madras.

In Orders

Submitted, with
reference to the J. M.'s
note of 10.4.99 at E.

No. 547

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18/4/99

Dated 24 April.

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Enclosures -

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There is a cash chest in the
Hospital and the Matron should
have kept the undisturbed
pay there. A table drawer in
the linen room which was frequented
by other servants was a most
insecure & unsuitable place.
A lock box money in.

I think it will be sufficient

SUBJECT.

Reporting the reasons for
not keeping the money in the
cash safe of the General
Hospital, by Matron Superintendent.
Mrs. Nisbett.

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Matron responsible for 25 per cent of the amount of the undistributed salaries stolen. The remainder can be returned to her if the amount can be written off.

It should be ascertained to whom the remaining sum of Rs 149 belongs. If to Govt who kept it in the drawer & why, & has it been made good.
M 3.5.99.

Dr. 11/5/99.

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No. 89/37
OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,
April 1899

From
SURGEON-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,
With reference to your memorandum No. 1008, Public, dated the 13th instant, I have the honor to subjoin the report of the Senior Medical Officer, General Hospital, with whom I agree.

"I have the honor to state in reply that there is a cash chest in the General Hospital in which Government money is deposited for safe custody by the Head Steward. The unexpended balance of Government money viz Rs. 583-5-6 held by the Matron on the evening of the 4th February 1899 was not returned to the Steward for deposit in the cash chest, as the Steward had left office, his hours of attendance being from 7 to 11 and 2 to 4-30 P.M. As has already been reported in my letter No. 779 dated 28th February 1899 the Matron Superintendent locked up this amount as in several years past in a drawer of a table in the Linen Room which is perfectly secure, I wish particularly to reiterate my former remarks that had it not been for collusion on the part of the servants in the Linen Room this theft could never have taken place, considering the security of these rooms."

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

C. Sibthorpe
Surgeon-General,
Surgeon-General with the Government
of Madras.

C. No. 1244 From the S. G.

C. No. 1244 From the S. A. No. , dated 189

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no 52298th May 99.

The Govt. regrets that it cannot accept Mr. S.B.'s proposal to return to the Nation Sept: the whole of the amount which she has made good. The undisturbed

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lodged in the ^{cash check} safe; the

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response to the 25 per cent

of the Govt money lost the
balance of the sum which
she has paid may be
returned to her.

2. It is not stated to whom
the remaining sum of Rs
149 belongs. If it was
the property of Govt a
report ^{showing} ~~showing~~ the steps
taken ^{regarding it} ~~therein~~ should
be submitted.

(from order)

11/5/99

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To the Surgeon Secy (940)

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