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No. 158. Read the following letter from J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Govenment, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated 4th March 1861, No. 1,228 :—

SIR,

1. I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit their usual Report on the Lungerkanahs in certain Districts for the Official year 1859-60.

2. In Nellore, Kurnool, Tanjore, North Arcot, and Bellary, there are fixed annual sums sanctioned by Government, from which the expenses of maintaining the Lungerkanahs or almshouses are met. In Coimbatore the funds are derived from Inám land allotted for the purpose in the Errode Táluq, and in South Arcot by a deduction from the Beriz. In the latter District the institution is confined to the support of indigent Bramins, and to the religious instruction of certain number of Bramin boys. Its affairs are managed by Trustees acting under the general supervision of the Collector, and the building made use of his a Chuttrum at Tripalapore near Mungacoopum.

3. It has hitherto been usual to append a brief statement to the report, simply showing the amount of sanction for the year and the expenditure out of it, with the saving or excess, but as this will not exhibit the actual amount of funds available, the Board on this occasion submit a separate Statement showing the whole transactions connected with the institutions.

4. It will be seen from the Statement that the funds available for expenditure during the year (including the surplus balance and deducting the excess expenditure up to the end of the previous year), amounted to Rupees 12,535-7-7. The entire expenditure of the year was Rupees 18,295-4-1 out of which the sum of Rupees 6,083-6-9* incurred in Bellary and North Arcot on account of Dispensaries, and in South Arcot on account of feeding Bramins, being deducted, the remainder, Rupees 12,211-13-4, is the amount which properly appertain to the "Lungerkanahs" or almshouses. Particulars of the number relieved in each institution are given below in contrast with 1858-59.

		RS.	A.	P.
* *North Arcot*	*Vellore*.....	2,431	3	9
	Ranipett.....	2,348	6	5
		4,779	10	2
Bellary.....		360	0	0
		5,139	10	2
South Arcot.....		943	12	7
		6,083	6	9

Districts.	1859-60. No. relieved.	1859-60. Cost.	1859-60. Rate per head.	1858-59. No. relieved.	1858-59. Cost.	1858-59. Rate per head.	Comparison between the cost. Increase.	Comparison between the cost. Decrease.
		RS. A. P.	A. P.		RS. A. P.	A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Coimbatore	14 972	1 005 12 7	1 1	14,506	1 252 13 2	1 4	0 0 0	247 0 7
Nellore	60 393	2 803 15 5	0 9	62,656	2 935 2 7	0 9	0 0 0	131 3 2
Kurnool	11,712	358 13 6	0 6	11,680	359 2 0	0 6	0 0 0	0 4 6
Tanjore.... Combaconum	6,052	571 5 6	1 6	6,651	686 3 4	1 8	0 0 0	114 13 10
Tanjore.... Negapatam	4 665	578 8 0	2 0	4,925	630 6 7	2 0	0 0 0	51 14 7
North Arcot Vellore	88,502	36,70 5 3	0 8	1,02 544	5,166 10 8	0 9	0 0 0	1,487 5 5
North Arcot Arcot	27,646	1,243 9 1	0 8	33,022	1,717 6 8	0 9	0 0 0	473 13 7
Bellary	24 484	1,070 8 0	1 3	22,514	1,801 3 0	1 3	169 5 0	0 0 0
Total....	2,38,486	12,211 13 4		2,58,498	14,549 0 0	0 0	169 5 0	2 506 7 8
							Net Decrease..2,337 2 8	

5. There has been a decrease of expenditure in the year under report in all the Districts except Bellary, in which the expenditure exceeded the sanctioned Estimate. In this District the

pears that in five of the

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 10th April 1861.

Read the following

letter from the Secretary to the

Board of Revenue.

Submitting the usual Re-
-port on Sungerkanahs in certain
Districts for the Official year 1859/60

(Here enter 4th March 1861
No 1228)

Sangarkhánas

1 In this report the Board of Revenue have gone fully into the various details relating to the expenditure during 1859-60 on the Sangarkhánas which exist in seven Districts under the Madras Presidency

2 From the Statement appended to the report it appears that in five of the seven

seven Districts concerned, there was, at the commencement of the year under review, a surplus remaining over from the previous years' funds, amounting in all to Rupees 3286-5-4 while the remaining two (Tanjore and North Arcot) had exceeded the previous annual sanctions by a sum of more than 1,300 Rupees of which by far the greater portion — (viz Rupees 1192) was in North Arcot.

3 The incomes of the Sunger khanas in Coimbatore & South Arcot are drawn from land endowments; and in the year under notice the receipts fell off materially in both Districts as shewn in the margin.

	1858-59.	1859-60	Decrease
× Coimbatore	1193.14.5	1022.4.6	171.9.11
× South Arcot	554.8.6	348.10.7	205.13.11

In Coimbatore, the expenditure was kept within the receipts; but in South Arcot, it was allowed to exceed the income by nearly two thirds, and swallowed up half the available surplus. In the previous year, a similar extravagance, though in a less degree was permitted. The Collector will be cautioned against such proceedings for the future. It is observed also that — while the receipts were only 348.10.7 in the year under review, the establishment alone cost Rs 204-2-4, a sum large in comparison with most of the other Districts and greatly out of proportion

to the entire expenditure. The attention of the Board of Revenue will be directed to this.

4. In the remaining five* Districts the Sangarkhanas have each a fixed money allowance. In two only of these Districts, (North Arcot and Bellary) the sanctions were exceeded in the year under notice by a sum of sixty Rupees added in the former, and 285½ in the latter. The first goes to increase the deficit already existing in the North Arcot Funds, while the latter is made out of the surplus standing to the credit of the Bellary Sangarkhana.

5 The excess of expenditure

* Vellore
Kurnool
Tanjore
North Arcot
Bellary.

Collector's letter
Augt 2d 1860

expenditure in North Arcot is owing to the Dispensaries maintained out of the Sangarkhana funds both at Arcot and Vellore; the charges of the Sangarkhanas themselves were much within the sanctioned amounts in both cases the aggregate saving on both being not less than 4719 Rupees. In their Proceedings of Sept. 28th 1859 No 1322 the Govt. directed the abolition of the Sangarkhanas, as being institutions of doubtful benefit, and in order to furnish funds for continuing the Dispensaries. But the order was disapproved by the Secretary of State, who

who in his Despatch of May 8th, 1860, directed that both the Sangarkhanas and the Dispensaries should be continued. This Despatch, which appears to have been lost sight of by the Board of Revenue makes it unnecessary to require that the totals outlay should be kept within the sums granted for the Sangarkhanas, as now ordered by the Board. The Secretary of State directs that those Establishments shall be maintained on the scale of expenditure sanctioned by this Government in 1854/5.

6. In the order of June 28th 1860 No 1069, it was directed

directed that these Dispensaries should for the future be included in the list of Government Dispensaries and reported on in common with them. They ought to have been excluded from the Board's Report on Sangarkhanas.

7. It is noted that as directed in para 7 of the order of 28th September 1859 the Wallajahpett Dispensary has been retransferred to Ranipet where it is located in a desirable position.

8 On 30th April 1860, on the close of the year under review, Tanjore and North Arcot were still laboring under a deficiency: that in the former, amounting

to

to 66 Rupees odd; will the Board expect, be made good in the present year; but in regard to the latter, they recommend that special sanction be granted for passing the amount viz: Rs 1252-11-5.

Under the circumstances above set forth, the Governor in Council is pleased to accede to this recommendation; and the Civil Auditor will be directed to pass the extra charge amounting to Rupees 1252-11-5.

9. As respects the operations of the Langarkhanas, the number of persons relieved in 1859-60 was on the whole smaller than in the previous year by 20,012; while the decrease in cost amounted

1858-59	258498
1859-60	238486
	20012

to Rupees 2,337-2-8. The operations of the Dispensaries ought to have been shewn in the Board's statement distinct from those of the Langarkhanas but as they will be for the future entirely distinct under the order referred to above in para 6, — it is not necessary now to make the correction.

10 The Government request that a Statement similar to the one accompanying the report under review may be sent with all future annual reports on Langarkhanas.

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in several Districts for
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