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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 16th March 1869

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th March 1869.

No. 390. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Military Department :—

Directing the despatch of a telegram to the Secretary of State for India, requesting, for reasons assigned, that 3,926 lbs. of Cod Liver Oil may be sent out for the use of the three Presidencies, and sanctioning the employment of Dr. Day to investigate and report on the cause of the failure of the fish supply at Calicut. } (Here enter 27th February 1869, No. 782.)

No. 391. ORDER THEREON, 16th March 1869, No. 705.

Miscellaneous. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. W. WELLESLEY,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

Ed. G. A. Turton.

Cost. of Misc. Expenditure.

REVENUE.

To

Extract March, 1869.

Read.

G. O., 16th March 1869, No. 705.

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MARCH

Nos. 390-391.

Failure of Fish supply at Calicut.—Order sanctioning the employment of Dr. Day to investigate and report on the cause, recorded.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Military Department,
***27th February* 1869.**

Read the following letter :—

No. 680. From the Inspector General Indian Medical Department, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department; dated Fort Saint George, 25th February 1869, No. 72,—(through the Controller of Military Accounts, dated 26th February 1869, No. XXIV.)

I have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that intimation has just been received from the Civil Surgeon, Malabar, of the inability of the Fish Oil Factory at Calicut, to meet more than a very small proportion of the requirements of the current year.

2. The cause of this shortcoming is stated to be the total failure of the supply of fish up to the 9th of July 1868.

3. From that date to the end of December 1868, the total weight of fish-liver obtained was 5,439lbs. This will yield about 1,800lbs. of the pure oil; while the requirements of the three Presidencies are as shown in the margin, so that there is a deficiency of 3,926lbs.

Bengal	Rs. 1,500
Bombay	,, 2,500
Madras	,, 1,726
Total...	,, 5,726

4. I propose, under these circumstances, to supply to each Presidency one-third of the 1,800lbs. available, so as to provide for *immediate* requirements; and I beg to suggest that it would be desirable to telegraph to the Secretary of State for India, requesting that steps may be taken to supply 3,926lbs. of "Cod liver oil" (in lieu of the deficiency of "Fish oil,") direct from England, so large a quantity, even if it were procurable at all in the local markets here, which is very improbable, could certainly not be obtained except at exorbitant prices.

To Calcutta	Rs. 900
,, *Bombay*	,, 1,900
,, *Madras*	,, 1,126

5. It is to be hoped that the next season may prove more favorable, and that the Factory may be able to meet the demands on it for 1869-70; but as the Civil Surgeon, Malabar, states that the last *two* years have been bad ones, and as the matter is one of great importance, I would suggest that Dr. Day should (on the completion of the duty he is now engaged on) be directed to investigate and report on the cause of the failure of the fish supply at Calicut.

No. 681. ORDER THEREON, 27th February 1869, No. 782.

Ordered accordingly that the following telegram be despatched.

2. The Governor in Council sanctions the employment of Dr. Day, as suggested in the concluding paragraph of the foregoing letter.

No. 682. *Telegram to the Secretary of State for India.* } Here enter 27th Feb. 1869, No. 783.

No. 683. *Docket to the Secy. to the Govt. of India, Mily. Dept.* } Here enter 27th Feb. 1869, No. 784.

No. 684. *Docket to the Secy. to the Govt. of Bombay, Mily. Dept.* } Here enter 27th Feb. 1869, No. 785.

(True Extract.)

Major General,

Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General Indian Medical Department.
,, Controller of Military Accounts.
,, Adjutant General.

Encl. J. E. Cashart. To the Revenue Department with 3 spare copies.

Revenue

Govt. of Madras.

MILITARY No. 800.

To

THE INSPR. GENERAL INDIAN
MEDL DEPT.

&c., &c., &c.

Dated February, 27th.

Rec'd 12th March. Encl

G. O., 27th February 1869, No. 782.

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FEBRUARY.
Nos. 680-684.

Directing the despatch of a telegram to the Secretary of State for India, requesting, for reasons assigned, that 3,920 lbs. of Cod Liver oil may be sent out for the use of the three Presidencies, and sanctioning the employment of Dr. Day to investigate and report on the cause of the failure of the fish supply at Calicut.

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