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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
29th May 1874.*

No. 287. Read the following despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India:—

Sanitary.
No. 6.

* INDIA OFFICE, LONDON,
16th April 1874.

Mr LORD,—The despatch of your Excellency in Council, dated the 27th June, No. 16 of 1873 (Revenue), transmitting some statistics and information relative to the Public Health of the Madras Presidency, has been considered by me in Council.

2. I forward, in reply, copy of a Memorandum by the Army Sanitary Commission on your despatch, which I desire may be communicated to

Dated 12th February 1874.

Mr. Cornish, your Sanitary Commissioner.

3. I desire that the attention of the Board of Revenue may be directed to the serious typographical errors contained in its Acting Sub-Secretary's letter. A table is attached to the 14th paragraph which contains so many mistakes that it must be regarded as unintelligible.

I have, etc.,
(Signed) SALISBURY.

His Excellency the Right Honourable
The Governor in Council, Fort St. George.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

MEMORANDUM by the Army Sanitary Commission of a despatch from the Government of Madras, dated 27th June 1873, forwarding information regarding the Public Health of the Presidency for 1871-72 during Fasli 1281.

THESE papers contain statistical abstracts of the Birth and Death registration in the Madras Presidency for the period specified. The results show that the registration although still far from accurate is improving.

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These figures are enough to show the present state of the registration.

3. In a letter accompanying the statistical report Mr. Cornish gives the following evidence of improving registration:—

Registration of Births.

	Births registered.
1869	452,410
1870	439,063
1871	517,103
1872	545,767

4. He also makes some useful suggestions regarding measures for improving the future accuracy of the work, which will no doubt receive the consideration of Government. He calls attention to the great and increasing mortality from fevers among the civil population and to the importance of investigation into the cause of these diseases to the interests of the country, also to the beneficial effects of general sanitary improvements in enabling the stamina of the people better to resist the inroads of malarial diseases.

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5. The Commission concur generally with what Mr. Cornish has stated on these points.
6. The papers do not appear to call for further remark except as to the necessity of greater accuracy being observed in printing statistical documents as shown in the following abstract table in the Proceedings of the Revenue Department:—
“The following is a comparative statement of the number of deaths during the past and previous faslis due to different causes:—

Causes of Death.	Fasli 1280.	Fasli 1281.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cholera	44,989	18,678	...	33,311
Small-pox	16,831	99,371	19,540	...
Fevers	186,160	187,465	1,305	...
Bowel-complaints.	41,683	36,821	...	4,869
Injuries	55,895	15,099	...	116
Other causes ...	5,55695	165,286	1,6534	...
Total ...	457,507	445,790	6,5889	38,989

7. Typographical work such as this requires no remark.

WAR OFFICE,
12th February 1874.

(Signed) J. J. FREDERICK,
Secretary.

No. 288.

ORDER THEREON, 29th May 1874, No. 659.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of
Revenue and to the Sanitary Commis-
sioner.

2. The attention of the Acting Supervisor of the Government Press is called to paragraph 3 of the Secretary of State's despatch, and he is requested to inquire and report regarding the typographical errors therein noticed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Sanitary Commissioner.
,, the Supervisor of the Government Press.

Exl. A. S. Rodgers.

Vide No. 2002 of 1874 -

Public Health of the Presidency.—Communi-
cates to Revenue Board and Sanitary Commis-
sioner Home despatch reviewing report of the —
for Fashi 1281 and directs Supervisor, Govern-
ment Press, to report regarding certain serious
typographical errors noticed therein.

MAY.
No. 287-288.

G. O. 29th May 1874, No. — 657

Recd. Dated May 29th. Encl.

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Copy Memo. by the Army Sanitary
Commission, dated 12th Feb'y 1874.

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Sanitary
No 6.

India Office
London 16th April 1874

Referred to in Sanitary letter to
Madras, No 6, dated 16th April 1874.
Para: 2.

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In B. N: 287.

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J. Lubbock

No. 5.

Sanitary
16th April 1874

The
Letter to Fort St. George
No. 6.

Received 9 May 1874.

19 May.

Forwarding copy of a Memorandum by the Army Sanitary Commr on Despatch from the Madras Govt. transmitting Statistics & information relative to the public health of the Madras Presidency. Requesting that the attention of the Board of Revenue may be directed to the serious topographical errors contained in their Sub-Secretary's letter.

Sd. 29th May/74 No. 659.

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Revenue Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Under date the 29th May 1874

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H. E. 16. April. 1874 No. 6

Communicated to the Board of Revenue, and to the Sanitary Commissioner.

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By Order
Sanitary Commissioner
Superior Gazette Press
27/13 June/74

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