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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Marine Department,
2nd August 1875.*

Quarantine.

No. 1. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th July 1875, No. 6700 (Miscellaneous) :—

Read the following letter from W. McQUHAE, Esq., Collector of Madura, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madura, 16th July 1875, No. 295 :—

I have the honor to submit copy of a letter from the Master Attendant at Paumben requesting sanction for Rupees 100 for the erection of a temporary hospital there in the event of any vessel being placed in quarantine.

2. The recent outbreak of cholera along the coast has forcibly shown the absurdity of quarantine at a port like Paumben, which is used almost entirely for coasting trade. The disease can be brought to the coast from Ceylon at fifty places, and once established on the mainland it spreads in every direction, the rapidity of its spread depending on circumstances which the Sanitary authorities do not understand. There was a case of cholera in Madura Town two months ago in a woman who had come from Ceylon and arrived here before any symptoms appeared, and the voyage is so short that this must continually occur. The only case of cholera on the island that has yet been reported came from the mainland, and more will undoubtedly occur among the pilgrims at an early date. I merely mention these matters for consideration. At present quarantine is ordered at Paumben, and the temporary hospital must, I presume, be sanctioned. I believe the Sanitary authorities admit that imperfect quarantine is useless.

From E. H. DAVIOT, Esq., Master Attendant, Paumben, to W. McQUHAE, Esq., Collector of Madura, dated Paumben, 12th July 1875, No. 38.

Referring to the telegraph message from Ootacamund, No. 404-43, of the 30th June last, and instructions from the Deputy Collector, Madura, No. 1425, of the 30th ultimo, I have the honor to state that up to date there has been no cases of cholera amongst the shipping in Paumben Roads, but it is rumoured that the disease is prevailing to some extent at Mannar, Talla Mannar, and the north road in Ceylon. I therefore beg to request you will be good enough to place at the disposal of the Treasury Officer here the sum of 100 Rupees, to be used for the erection of a temporary hospital in case it becomes necessary for us to place any vessels in quarantine with the disease on board. I am using every precaution to prevent its introduction into Paumben from Ceylon. There has (I am informed) been one fatal case of the disease amongst the pilgrims.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 2. ORDER THEREON, 2nd August 1875, No. 277.

The Accountant-General is authorized to place Rupees 100 at the disposal of the Collector of Madura for the purpose stated.

2. The Governor in Council directs that similar applications should, to avoid delay, be invariably submitted direct to Government in the Public Department.

(True Extract.)

To the Accountant-General.
" Revenue Department. ✓
" Board of Revenue.
" Collector of Madura.
" Collectors of Coast Districts.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Master Attendant, Madras.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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Official Chief Secretary.

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To THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,
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Quarantine.—The Accountant-General authorized to place Rupees 100 at the disposal of the Collector of Madras for the erection of a quarantine hospital at Pambour, and such applications ordered in future to be submitted direct to Government.

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