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Municipal—Sanitary.

Read the following papers:—

No. 155. From Surgeon-General E. G. BALFOUR, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort St. George, 10th July 1876, No. 395:—

I have the honor to subjoin, for the orders of His Grace the Governor in Council, extracts from the Deputy Surgeon-General's report on Trichinopoly.

EXTRACTS.

8. *Conservancy of the neighborhood of Barracks, &c.*—The conservancy of the station is well attended to, and, as a general rule, the latrines are clean. There are, however, no cinerators for burning the rubbish, but I am glad to say that they are now being constructed. The water-system is bad, being conveyed from the Wyacondan Channel in water-courses which are generally open. It is under consideration to convey the water to the town by closed masonry channels; this will no doubt be of great benefit both to the health and comforts of the inhabitants.

20. *Burial of the dead; are the arrangements as regards Europeans, &c.*—Not prejudicial as regards the Hindus, but I consider the practice of burying Europeans round the church objectionable, and the Mussulmans have to be buried anywhere on the road-sides close to their houses near tanks, &c.

No. 1080.

Referred to the President of the Trichinopoly Municipality for his remarks.
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,

Chief Secretary.

12th July 1876.

No. 156. From H. SEWELL, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Trichinopoly, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Trichinopoly, 17th July 1876, No. 11.

I have the honor to submit remarks on the extracts from the Deputy Surgeon-General's report on Trichinopoly Municipality (herewith returned) forwarded to me with your endorsement of the 12th July 1876.

Paragraph 8, Cinerators.—I went up to Coimbatore a short time ago on purpose to inspect the cinerators, &c., which are at work in that town. One has just been completed here, and I hope soon to have several more constructed. We have had great difficulties lately in disposing of the street sweepings. For the last ten years or so the rubbish has been utilized in filling up the fort ditch. This is almost completed now, and we have in consequence large accumulations of rubbish, of which only a small amount is taken off our hands as manure for cultivations. I hope by means of cinerators to reduce this bulk greatly. As regards the water-system, I quite agree with the Deputy Surgeon-General that it is bad. Our supply is drawn from the large Wyacondan Channel, which is taken off from the Cauvery eighteen miles above the town. The channel itself is used a good deal for drinking water, and we do our best to keep it from contamina-

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tion, but this is a very difficult matter as it runs through a considerable length of the town. From the main channel several small channels are taken off which supply certain tanks set apart strictly for drinking purposes. These channels are, with one exception, open, but they are not kept perpetually running into the tanks. Periodically, when there is a good supply of water in the main channel, the small channels are flushed for two or three days, and supplies are then let into the tanks. We are at present having a survey made for constructing a regular water-system by tapping the Wyacondan above the town and carrying water by pipes or covered drains through the town. This will cost a large sum of money, and it will probably be necessary to ask Government for a loan.

Paragraph 20.—The present Deputy Surgeon-General himself raised objections some little time ago to the burial-ground round St. John's Church used by Protestants. We have appointed a sub-committee to go into the whole question of burying grounds—European and Native—throughout the town, and on their report the Municipality hope to be able to make some satisfactory arrangement.

No. 157.

ORDER THEREON, 26th July 1876, No. 1312.

The Governor in Council is glad to learn that the sanitary conditions of the town receive so much attention from the Commissioners.

(True Extract.)

[Handwritten signature]
Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Trichinopoly.

- „ Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
- „ Sanitary Commissioner.
- „ Revenue Department.

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**THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION.**

Trichinopoly.

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