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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

# REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

14th May 1877, No. 1,717-A.

**Famine Relief.**

Read the following paper :—

No. 271. From Surgeon-Major W. R. CORNISH, F.R.C.S., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort St. George, 2nd May 1877, No. 478.

I HAVE the honor to report, for the information of His Grace in Council, that I inspected yesterday morning the inmates of the Monegar Choultry relief-camp.

2. There are at the present time a large number of persons in the camp who are physically capable of doing some work, and I would venture to suggest that it would be to the advantage of the people themselves and to the Government if they were drafted out to some public work where they might earn their livelihood; of the 3,000 persons present, possibly from 1,000 to 1,200 might be so disposed of.

3. Colonel Drever informs me that he has the same difficulty in disposing of the able-bodied in the camp at the Red Hills and Yeddacaucherry, and that some thousands could be removed if there was work provided for them.

4. I need not dwell on the demoralising effect of keeping a large number of able-bodied people without work; but I have no doubt that the health suffers also from the constant association with the sickly and diseased, and that it would be a [illegible] and cook their own food outside the camp in return for light labor.

5. It seems to me that in the Madras Town camps the necessity of constantly sending out all those who are fit for work has not been sufficiently recognised. It is important that steps should be taken to clear the camp of the able-bodied, for in the next two months we may expect a considerable accession to the numbers of those who have been rendered inefficient for work by privation.

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No. 272. ORDER THEREON, 14th May 1877, No. 1,717-A.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED with reference to G.O. of the 12th May, No. 1,709-A (on Colonel Drever's letter.)

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
*Additional Secretary to Government.*

To the Sanitary Commissioner.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Commissioner of Police.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

That he has the same difficulty in

Govt. of Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE SANITARY COMMISSIONER,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated May 14th.

Read

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G.O., 14th May 1877, No. 1,717-A.

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Nos. 271-272.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 1,194.

Abstract Quarterly — Records never from the Sanitary Commissioner reporting his inspection of the — on the —

No 478.

Office of Sanitary Commissioner.
Madras 2nd May 1877.

From

The Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras.

To

The Additional Secretary
to Government
Revenue Department.
Fort.

Sir.

I have the honor to report for the information of His Grace in Council that I inspected yesterday morning the inmates of the Munegar Choultry relief camp.

2. There are at the present time a large number of persons in the camp who are physically capable of doing some work, and I would venture to suggest that it would be to the advantage of the people themselves and to the Govt. if they were drafted out to some public work, where they might earn their livelihood; of the 5000 persons present possibly from 1,000 to 1,200 might be so dispersed of.

3. Colonel Drever informs me that he has the same difficulty in

dispersing of the able bodied, in the camps at the Red Hills and Veddacam cherry, and that some thousands could be removed if there were work provided for them.

4. I need not dwell on the demoralising effect of keeping a large number of able bodied people without work, but I have no doubt that the health suffers also, from the constant association with the sickly and diseased, and that it would be a more economical arrangement to give people of this class enough money to buy and cook their own food outside the camps in returns for light labour.

5. It seems to me that in the Madras town camps the necessity of constantly sending out all those who are fit for work has not been sufficiently recognised. It is important that steps should be taken to clear the camps of the able bodied, for in the next two months we may expect a considerable accession to the numbers of those who have been rendered inefficient for work by privation.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed.t Serv.t
J. R. C.S.
J. M. Cornish
Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras

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From

The Sanitary Commissioner

Dated 2 } May 8/77
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No. 478

Reporting that he inspected the inmates of the Monegar Choultry Camp on the morning of the 1st inst.

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Sanitary Commissioner for Madras