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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
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5th April 1877, No. 443.

Sanitary.

Read the following paper :—

No. 17. *From L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, to the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, dated 28th March 1877, G. No. 948.*

I have the honor to forward, herewith, the Special Health Officer's report for the week ending 24th March 1877.

Enclosure No. 1.

From Dr. H. STANBROUGH, Health Officer, to the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 27th March 1877.

I have the honor of forwarding, for the information of His Grace the Governor in Council, a weekly report, ending 24th (inclusive) March, of the working of the Special Health Department.

2. There has been an increase in the number of deaths during the past week ending 23rd March. Out of 1,170 deaths reported, 155 were from cholera, and 436 from small-pox. Last week's report showed 1,120 deaths, 132 from cholera, and 387 from small-pox. The average per thousand for the week ending 23rd is 153 against the previous week's report, 146. It is but fair to conclude that two-fifths of the deaths are amongst the strangers and famine-stricken people. If I am correct in my belief, the deaths amongst the residents of Madras will be 91.8 per thousand, and 61.2 per thousand amongst the strangers.

3. The averages of former years show the death-rate for Madras 32 per mille.

4. The town and parishes of Madras are certainly in a much cleaner condition than before the Special Health Department and house-to-house visitation were established.

5. The increase of small-pox is amongst the lowest caste of people, and especially the fishermen class, who reside in crowded dens without any means of ventilation and only a small entrance door to creep through.

6. These people refuse being sent to the hospital, or even to receive medical treatment. I can do nothing but cleanse and disinfect their places, burn and bury their rags.

7. I am not at all surprised at the increase of cholera. The water-supply is falling everywhere, and that from the Red Hills is very offensive, and in every little bazaar a large quantity of unripe green mangoes are being sold.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

SUMMARY of Health Inspectors' Work.

Number of District.	Name of Ward.	NUMBER OF HOUSES AND HUTS IN PARCELS.		Cholera.	Small-pox.	Other Contagious Diseases.	Number of Persons Vaccinated.	Number of Food Tickets issued.
		Inspected.	Cleaned.					
1	East	729	147	1	4	1	80	2
	Centre	470	50	2	79	1	81	106
	West	438	142	3	82	23	35	1
2	North	337	25	13	28	10	81	3
	Centre	627	31	8	49	3	24	3
	South	472	22	1	18	9	31	1
3	North	252	66	2	20	3	73	2
	Centre and South ..	339	103	8	6	11	95	..
5	North	260	105	14	42	5	176	..
	Centre	419	101	8	46	..	68	50
	South	479	120	9	13	6	72	19
7	North	359	45	1	28	1	100	16
	Centre	419	45	7	6	5	58	..
7 and 8	North and South ..	369	53	..	22	8	84	24
6-8	Do.	536	54	6	12	..	47	10
8	South	346	4	8	8	..	..	..
		6,851	1,113	91	413	36	1,161	237

(Signed) H. STANBROUGH.
Health Officer.

No. 18.

ORDER THEREON, 5th April 1877, No. 443.

The attention of the Acting President of the Madras Municipal Commission will be drawn to the Health Officer's remarks regarding the water-supply.

(True Extract.)

[Signature]
Offg. Chief Secretary.

To the Acting President of the Madras Municipal Commission.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Public Works Department.
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
" Revenue (Famine) Department.

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