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Madras 18th July 1877.

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From
The Hon'ble J. G. Coleman
Acting President Municipal Commission

To
The Hon'ble D. F. Carmichael
Chief Secretary to Government.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Government Order No. 1901 dated 13th Instant requesting the Municipal Commissioners in communication with Sir William Robinson and Colonel Drever Commissioner of Police, to reconsider the proposals made by Mr. Burrows in his letter of 10th February 1877, with a view of organising a scheme of divisional inspection for relief of any distress which the present system fails to reach.

2. In reply I beg to forward for information of Government the Proceedings of a Meeting held at the Municipal Office on the 16th Instant from which it will be seen that it is proposed to

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have a Central Committee to control and manage generally the relief operations of the whole city with Sub. Committees in each Municipal Division for immediate executive duties. It is intended that such leading Residents of the Town as may from their position or knowledge be able to render assistance or furnish information be invited to associate themselves with the Committees in furthering the object in view.

3. It is also proposed that the relief afforded should be in the form of a money allowance of one anna daily for an adult and of six pies daily for a child under 12 years of age and that an essential condition of the grant of relief in any division should be that the person relieved is bonafide a native resident of that division.

4. The above divisional arrangements are proposed especially in reference to those resident inhabitants who on enquiry may be found to be greatly suffering from distress and who by feelings of self respect are debarred from availing themselves of the relief now afforded at the poor sheds. It is respectfully suggested that the arrangements now in existence which seem to be unexceptionally good and under which the local non-caste and houseless poor and needy strangers daily receive a meal at the poor houses will be permitted to continue without being disturbed especially as from the enquiries made it has been ascertained that the cost of feeding at such depôts does not exceed 15 pies per head. The Committee greatly apprehend that the transferring of upwards of 12000 local poor who are daily fed at the relief houses to Divisional pay-officers might be attended with serious inconvenience.

I have &c.

(Signed) J. G. Coleman
Acting President
Municipal Commission

Financial Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ ~~the following letter~~ again G.O dated 17th February 1877 No. 610. Financial

Read also the following letter from the Chairman of the Executive Committee Monegar Choultry to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 12th July 1877.

I have the honor to forward resolution of the Executive Committee of the Monegar Choultry dated the 11th July 1877, with a view to its submission to Government.

"The Executive Sub Committee recognise the justice and force of Mr Kistnama Charriar and Mr Ramachendra Rao's representations. They cannot shut their eyes to a large amount of distress that it is impossible to reach and relieve by any measures at present in operation. High Caste paupers can only be helped by means similar to those adopted for the relief of Caste poor who resort to the Rajah of Vencatagherrys Choultry, and they

they accordingly resolve to bring the dire distress of the classes in question to the notice of Government, with an earnest request that measures may be adopted, in the several districts of Madras, to assist and relieve Castes pauper, as was done in 1866/67.

Order thereon 13th July 1877 No. 1901.

His Grace the Governor in Council resolves to request the Municipal Commissioners in communication with Sir William Robinson and Colonel Drever, Commissioner of Police, to reconsider the proposals made by Mr. Burrows in his letter of 10th February 1877, with a view of organising a scheme of divisional inspection for relief of any distress which the present system fails to reach.

2. The Government will await their proposals for this purpose

(True Extract)

(Signed) D. F. Carmichael

Chief Secretary

(True Copy)

A. B. Griff

Ag. Under Secretary to Govt

Financial Department.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following letter from the President, Municipal Commission, Madras to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 18th July 1877 No. 447.

Order thereon 24th July 1877 No. 1776.

The President will convey the thanks of Government to the Commissioners for the attention they have paid to the request of Government in the Proceedings replied to in the above letter; and will inform them that the Government accept the proposals detailed therein and in the enclosed resolution, and beg the Commissioners to proceed to carry them into effect with as little delay as possible, it being understood that the relief to be thus administered is to be restricted to deserving objects whom the present arrangements fail to reach, and that all necessary precautions will be adopted to obviate any risk

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of double relief or other abuse.

2. The Government will be glad to receive from time to time information as to the progress made and results attained, and note with satisfaction that the importance of a close supervision over the financial details is provided for by the Commissioners. They trust that the Commissioners will be able to enlist the sympathy of the public in alleviating the distress which prevails in the Presidency Town.

(True Extract)

Will Scharlieb

Assistant Secretary.

To the Revenue (Famine) Department with copy of G.O. 13 July 77 No 1901

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Accepting the proposals made by the Recd of the Madras Municipality with regard to organising a scheme of Divisional Inspection for relief of any distress which the present system fails to reach.
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25 July/77.