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2. With regard to paragraph 2 of the Government Order referred to, it would, I think, be difficult to fix a rate per head, as this would not admit of that variety in diet which is so essential in the treatment of the famine sick. Some, for instance, have to be fed for a time on meat juice alone, others on milk and conjee, others on broth and rice, while convalescents again are placed upon a full rice diet with meat and vegetable.

3. At present the contractor supplies the diets at the same rate as that at which he contracted to supply the Civil Dispensary, the extras such as meat for broth being charged for also at the same rate as the contract rate for extras.

4. The dieting charges have, however, been disallowed by the Accountant-General pending the fixing of a certain rate per head.

No. 124. ORDER THEREON, 17th September 1877, No. 2323.

The Collector will adopt a fixed rate, not exceeding 3 Annas per head for each adult.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Collector of Nellore.
" Revenue Department.
" Board of Revenue.
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
" Inspector-General of Police.
" Accountant-General.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

17th September 1877, No. 2223.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 123. *From J. GROSE, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Nellore, 3rd September* 1877, *No.* 4510.

With reference to G.O., 2nd July 1877, No. 1812, I have the honor to submit letters* from the Zillah Surgeon and the Sub-Collector in which they urge that no fixed rate per patient should be declared payable for famine patients at dispensaries but that Government should allow the excess above the Budget grant, *i.e.*, the excess above the nominal expenditure caused by the famine, to be paid from Famine Funds.

* No. 679, 16th August 1877, from the Sub-Collector.
No. 158, 30th August 1877, from the Zillah Surgeon.

2. It would be a harsh and embarrassing measure to drive away applicants from the dispensary and tell them to get Relief-camp Superintendents to send or Police to take them back.

3. Moreover, it will often be impossible even for a skilful doctor to say whether any particular patient's disease has arisen from want or been accelerated by it. The famine has necessarily increased disease, and I think the difference between the usual average and the number at present resorting to dispensaries is the fairest measure we can get of its effect in this respect.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From T. VON D. HARDINGE, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, to the Collector of Nellore, dated Podili, 16th August 1877, No. 679.

With reference to your foot-note, No. 3416, dated 16th July, to G.O., No. 1812, dated the 2nd idem, I have the honor to forward, herewith, copy of a letter, No. 43, of the 4th instant, from the Assistant Apothecary in charge of the Ongole Dispensary.

2. It will be seen therefrom that numbers of famine-stricken people suffering from diseases resulting from starvation resort to the dispensary; that, as it is impossible to take all of them into hospital owing to the insufficiency of accommodation, only those affected with diseases which make them unable to move out from the dispensary to the relief-house are admitted as in-patients into the hospital, the rest being sent to the relief-house to attend daily as out-patients. The number of in-patients thus admitted is large, and I have the honor therefore to suggest that the expenditure in excess of the budgeted amount per each month may be charged to Famine Funds as sanctioned by Government in regard to the Chittoor Dispensary.

3. With regard to paragraph 2 of Government Order quoted, I have the honor to state that no fixed rate per patient can be made, as the rate will depend upon the number of patients, the kind of diet that the Medical Officer may deem necessary to prescribe, and the prevailing prices of diet articles.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

From Surgeon-Major Æ. M. ROSS, Zillah Surgeon, Nellore, to the Collector of Nellore, dated Nellore, 30th August 1877, No. 158.

I have the honor, with reference to your memorandum, No. 4328, of the 25th instant (received 28th), to state that I think the present plan of charging Rupees 100 per mensem to Municipal Funds for the dieting of patients and the rest to Famine Funds the most simple and equitable arrangement.

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To THE COLLECTOR OF NELLORE,
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