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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

2nd March 1877, No. 777.

Cumbum—Sanitary.

Read the following paper:—

No. 25. *From R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Kurnool, 24th February 1877, No. 176.*

With reference to G.O., No. 31, dated 6th ultimo, in the Public Works Department, I have the honor to submit, for the information of Government, copy of a letter from Mr. Farmer, with its enclosures, from which it will appear that steps have been taken to prevent abandoned corpses remaining unburied for any length of time. There is no doubt that Mr. Johnston's report is well founded on facts, but the officials in the place appear to have exercised as much vigilance as was possible considering the immense amount of extra work thrown on them which necessarily distracted their attention.

2. Immediately on the receipt of the Government Order above quoted, Surgeon *sent to Cumbum* and a marked improvement is said to have occurred there in regard to the sanitary arrangements.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From H. R. FARMER, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Magistrate, Cumbum, to the Acting Magistrate, Kurnool, dated Cumbum, 5th February 1877, No. 338-A.

With reference to your endorsement, No. 48, dated 10th ultimo, on G.O., No. 31, dated 6th idem, Public Department, I have the honor to report as follows.

2. The Assistant Engineer on Special duty, Cumbum, brought to my notice in his letter, No. 60, dated 26th December last, that "a man was allowed to die of cholera in the main street of the town." Deputy Collector M. Venkatachellam Pillay, who was in charge of the Famine Relief Works at Cumbum, informed me in a side-note to the above letter, that when people died in the night, as in the case brought to notice by Mr. Johnston, they were buried in the morning; and this I communicated to Mr. Johnston in my letter, No. 522, dated 30th December last.

3. On the requisition of the Deputy Collector, a sum of Rupees 200 has been placed, by the Honorable D. Arbuthnot, at the disposal of the Taluq Sheristadar to meet the charges incurred in getting abandoned corpses buried.

4. As to the remarks of Government in paragraph 2 of the Government Order, I beg to submit that I have already reported the outbreak to you in my letter, No. 503, dated 2nd December last. On the receipt of the Government Order under reference, Deputy Magistrate Ramachandra Row brought the matter to the notice of the Assistant Superintendent of Police with a view to organize a system of patrol beats, and a copy of his reply is herewith submitted.

5. I also beg to enclose a copy of Mr. Johnston's reply, No. 81, dated 31st ultimo, to a reference made by me, and to submit that, considering the immense amount of extra work thrown on the subordinates, I believe that they exercised as much vigilance as could reasonably be expected.

No. 26. ORDER THEREON, 2nd March 1877, No. 777.

The Governor in Council trusts that the precautions that have been ordered will be strictly maintained.

(True Extract.)

[Signature]

Chief Secretary.

To the Public Works Department.
.. Revenue Department.
.. Collector of Kurnool.
.. Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
.. Sanitary Commissioner.

Edw. T. O'Connor.

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THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
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Caution-Sailing.-The precautions that have been ordered in respect to the burial of abandoned corpses, &c., to be strictly observed.

Call? 4th R. 1877
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