

Local & Munl. (1897-) Department.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 110 M.

DATED 28.1.97-

DESPATCHED

[Despatch Abstract.]

Bubonic plague.

Requesting the C. M. C. Nagapatam to take immediate action to destroy the bale of waste paper from Bombay which is stated to have been delivered to the Com- and is understood to be within the limits, and signed, stating that the question of prohibiting the importation by land and sea of such infectious matter will be considered in the Public Dept., and that the District Magistrate will be instructed in the Judicial Dept. to deal with such cases under Sec 144 of the Penal Code.

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Local & Munl. (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 29/11

Order

Order No 110 Municipality 28-1-97

The Chairman, Municipal Council, Negapatam, is requested to take immediate action under section 232 (2) of Act IV of 1884, to destroy the bale of waste paper which is stated by the Sanitary Commissioner

From

The Sanitary Commissioner.

No. 22/5

Dated 23rd January 1897

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er to have already been delivered to the Consignee & is understood to be within the Municipality.
2. The question of prohibiting the importation by land and sea of such infectious matter, as suggested by S^r King, will be considered in the Public Department.

3. In the meantime, District Magistrates will be instructed in the Judicial Department to deal with such cases under section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

(From orders)

V.R.
28/1/97

P.T.O.

SUBJECT.

Suggesting that the two bales of waste paper ~~from Bombay~~ which have been landed at Negapatam may be destroyed compensation being paid to the owners and that the Govt may issue an order prohibiting the importation by land and sea of such matter.

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- The Ch. M.C. Negapatam LHO
- Collector of Tanjore LHO
- Public Dept: with Hm's notes LHO
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- Judicial Department LHO
- Sanitary Commissioner P.O.

Sept 29/11/97

Prohibition of the importation by land and sea of waste paper, &c.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., dated

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of 1897, dated

25th Jan 1897

from the

Sanitary Comm.

FOR ORDERS.

Section 232(2) of the District Municipalities Act authorises the Chairman to direct the destruction of "articles likely to retain infection" giving, in his discretion, compensation for the articles so destroyed. It is for consideration whether the Chairman can deal, under this section, with the bale of waste paper which has already been delivered to the consignee.

2. As regards Dr. King's suggestion that Government should issue an order prohibiting the importation by land and sea of "such matter", it is submitted that the Government of India may be moved to issue a notification to this effect under section 19 of the Indian Sea Customs Act VIII of 1878. The import of rags and second hand clothing from Bombay and Karachi to Madras, Calcutta and Rangoon appears to

Certainly, I should say

Yes - telegraph to the import of all these things, including waste paper at all ports

to have already been prohibited.
Vide portion marked with red chalk
in the Madras Mail of the 25th
instant.

In the meantime the District
Magistrates may also be instructed
in the Judicial Department to take action
under section 146 of the Criminal
Procedure Code.

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H.M.

The matter is really for
the Public & Marine Dept -
the ques being the general &
relating to import by sea, com-
pensation from people res. for
goods landed & destroyed, &
quarantine &c. The pp. with
therefore be transferred to
Public.

Yes - with my notes
H.M.

In this particular case
the goods are apparently within
Municipal limits. To protect
seacoast cities for the future
it is desirable that action should
be taken to prohibit import by
sea from Bombay of rags &
second hand clothing & such articles
as the port of India may deem especially
able to carry infection. ~~Indirect~~

Whether waste paper should be
included is a q. for the experts.

To leave matters
to local regulation with compensation
for damage w^h soon land local
authorities in bankruptcy. for
we sh^d have all the rags & waste
paper in India manifested from
Bombay & brought to the coast
ports with the certainty of
realizing an immediate
market at the cost of the
local ratepayers!

2 port prepared to tell
the chairman to give com-
pensation in this case ^{if it does} ~~as~~
provide the funds itself as
suggested by the San. Cr.?

The Chairman should destroy -
his within his discretion
whether he will give compen-
sation or not. This is not
legally bound to do so

H.M.

27/1/97

S.R. 26/1/97

No. 221/S
CONFIDENTIAL
and
URGENT.

OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,
Camp Maddikeri
Fort St. George, 23 January 1897.

From

SURGEON LIEUT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.

SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE

The Secretary to Government

Local and Municipal Department

Enclosure.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you that the Civil Surgeon, Negapatam, advises me of the landing at that Port by the Asiatic Steam Navigation Company of two bales of waste paper from Bombay. That officer with commendable promptitude has pointed out to the Company that the importation of waste paper and rags from a locality affected with plague is most injudicious. The Company thereupon delivered one bale to the Consignee and retained the other in their premises - but, in regard to the former, took the precaution of desiring that the contents should not be made use of pending the result of reference on this subject.

2--- I consider it of the very greatest sanitary importance that no traffic in waste paper or rags should take place at the present time between the affected localities and this Presidency. No steam disinfecting apparatus that would be capable of perfecting disinfection of these rags and paper exists in this Presidency, whilst dealing with the bales by any other method - e. g., sinking them into a strong solution of perchloride of mercury unopened, would not be feasible on account of bulk and possible undesirable results in respect to subsequent manufacturing processes, even if complete penetration could be ensured. Indeed, it would I consider be undesirable to treat such dangerous waste material by any other process than absolute destruction.

3-- Under the above circumstances, I would advise that Government be pleased to offer the owner compensation and

FOR ORDERS.

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that it be ordered that the bales be forthwith destroyed
 from the shore
 by fire, or be removed a safe distance (that is beyond the in-
 fluence of landward currents) and be there sunk in the sea
 4-- Further, if by issue of an Order, in view of public danger,
 Government has the power to prohibit importation by land and
 sea of such matter, I would respectfully advise that this be
 done accordingly. In the meantime, I presume Magistrates
 could be instructed to exercise their powers under Section 144
 Criminal Procedure Code, and the aid of the Bombay Government
 could be secured

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. J. P. Jones

Surgeon Lt Col.

Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

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