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to all Lt. Medical and Sanitary officers and
Civil Surgeons, in Connection with the ———.

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of Circular sent to all District
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with the Bubonic Plague.

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Circulars
With reference to the existence of
plague in Bombay, the attention of
District Sanitary Officers is in-
vited to the importance of keep-
ing the populations under their
charge in close observation as
to the existence of pestisambulans,
the nature of which has lately
been fully discussed in the lead-
ing medical journals. It is
specifically desirable that cases
exhibiting swellings without
fever should be fully investiga-
ted, and a report of the circum-
stances be sent to this office in
without delay. In this connection
the following extract from "Report
on Epidemic plague in Mesopo-
tania by Dr Dickson, is worthy
of being held in memory:—
"Two or three months previous
to the manifestation of plague in
Mesopotamia glandular swell-
ings free from fever prevailed
in that country. They showed
themselves in the groin, armpit,

on neck, and were not accom-
panied by other symptoms. They
began to appear amongst the
inhabitants about the end of
autumn, and continued through
the winter; but towards the end
of it plague broke out and
reached its acme of intensity
in the spring, and died out sud-
denly during the summer
season when the great heat
declared itself and the thermo-
meter rose to 45 to 50 degrees of
centigrade scale (113° or 122° F.).

During the prevalence of the
plague the thermometer ranged
between 5 and 30 degrees, and
when it rose to 30° (86° F.) the
disease had reached its maxi-
mum of intensity. As the tem-
peratures increased from 30° to 45°
(86° to 113° F.) the epidemic began
to diminish, and as soon as the
thermometer got up to 45° (113° F.)
it ceased abruptly. On the
cessation of plague epidemic
glandular swellings reappeared
again, precisely similar to those
which had preceded the out-
break and they continued to

to manifest themselves for
about two months longer. In
these glandular swellings
were frequently met with
and were distinct from the
chronic adenitic swellings
met with in subjects of a
scrofulous tendency, and in-
evidently unconnected with
any special diathesis".

W. G. King
Surgn. Lt. Col.

Sanitary Comm.
for Madras.

(True copy)

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OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,

Fort St. George, 1st April 1897.

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From

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

SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE

Secretary to Government,
Local & Municipal Dept.

Enclosure.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward
herewith for the information of Govern-
ment copy of a circular I lately sent
to all Dist Medical & Sanitary Officers and
Civil Surgeons in connection with the pre-
valence of Plague in Bombay.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient Servt,

W. G. King

Surgeon Lt. Col.,

Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras

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