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S. K.
17/5/97

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V. R.
2/4/97

"Bound" under what law?

(Initd) G. S. F.
2/4/97

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V. R.
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H. M.

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limits but outside it.

The whole question seems to turn on whether the place of quarantine is to be inside or outside the municipal limits of Madras City. If the former the Mun. Comrs. shd. apparently provide the accommodation: but in such case it wd. only be fair that Port Funds shd. bear the cost (vide sect. 36(5)(d) Ports Act 1889.

S.K.

But whether it is so or not, I don't think that the question is affected – The local Munity (or L. Bd.) must, I take it, be considered to be the Sanitary authority for each port & must therefore be held liable to provide Hospl. accommodation for sick persons arriving at the Port by sea. It provides already if the sick persons arrive by rail. Why not if they arrive by sea? I cannot see any distinction. Nor does this requirement seem unfair; for the provision of hospitals is for the protection of the inhabitants of the place, who would be in a pretty way if plague stricken passengers were just landed from the shipping & left to shift for themselves, and not ~~specially~~ primarily for the benefit of the plague stricken – I haven't the English statutes, but I imagine that the sanitary authority of a port has to provide for sick persons landed out of ships – If not, who does? Possibly the Impl. Govt. or Port Funds – But the Provl. Govt. here is bankrupt & the E.C. Port funds ditto – There is nothing for it but to make Munl. Cts & L. Bds responsible – See the detailed Quarantine rules I passed the other day in Marine & ordered to be sent to L. & M. for criticism

BS
6/4/97

As the Regulations proposed in the linked file of the Marine dept. impose the duty ~~upon~~ of providing places for segregation &c upon the Sanitary Authority, the M.C. may be referred to these when issued

10/4/97

Yes, when issued – But please keep a lookout as to when they do issue – India may not approve them

BS
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H A Street
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Madras, 26th February 1897.

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Madras
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Note by the HON. Mr. Bliss, C. I. E.

These quarantine rules are very defective and will no doubt have to be amended. (That matter is under consideration on another file). They seem to contemplate leaving on board the vessel all the persons who are plague-stricken and removing the healthy passengers and members of the crew to isolation camps. The Municipal Commissioners have provided hospitals and isolation camps under No. 8 of the Regulations in the Gazette Extraordinary of February 15, or should have done so; and it seems to me that the proper course will be to require them to receive both sick and healthy into these hospitals and camps. This we can do under the Plague Act. I can't accept Col. Moore's opinion that the Municipal Commissioners have nothing to do with the matter. They are the sanitary authority of the place and must provide for all plague cases in any way reaching the place . If not, who should do so? An alternative, no doubt, would be to keep the plague-stricken on board and to land the healthy somewhere on the coast. I daresay a

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However, let us hear what the L. & M. Department thinks about the matter.

(Id) H.W.B.
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