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G.O., No. 1272 P. *mi.* ✓

DATED 8-10-98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Plague at Wallajahpur.

Recording letter from the Plague Commission reporting on the case of — and desiring to know whether prosecution has been instituted for escape from segregation and what action has been taken with regard to the police guard who allowed the person to escape with impunity.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .

Current No. 1966 P of 1898, dated 29-9-8 from the Slaves Coms.
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2. The Government desires to know whether Benarappa has been prosecuted for escaping from Segregation and what action has been taken with regard to the Police guard who let him escape.

(For answer)

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To the Slaves Coms. ✓

" Colls of N. Anand ✓

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1988

From

The Plague Commission

Order

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No. 29

Dated 29. 9. 98

Received

Registered 30-9-98

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

3/10/98 This case shows (1) that our observation arrangements are working and (2) how desirable it is (as stated in another paper earlier today) that Dr. Hansmann should be free to move about. With regard to the boy Masarappa's escape from segregation, has he been prosecuted or just let go? and what has been done to the Police guard who let him escape? I have no idea following the segregation rules to be defied with impunity.

Submitting for information the report of the Collection of N. Arcot about a plague case at Wallajahnagar.

7/10/98

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NORTH ARCOT, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Camp Ranipet dated 26th September 1898

Reported No. 178 P. of 1898.

From

J. K. Balten Esquire

Collector & District Magistrate,

North Arcot.

To

The Plague Commission

Fort St George

Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to confirm the following telegram despatched this morning:—

"Muthappa chelti's son aged

"twenty eight died Bangalore six-

"teenth Muthappa chelti resident

"of Wallajah nagar brought wife

"and remaining son to Wallajah-

"nagar 22nd wife got fever 24th"

"died 10'clock this morning Deputy

"Sanitary Commissioner diagnoses

"plague son has fever necessary

"steps being taken by self and

"District Surgeon under advice

"of Deputy Sanitary Commissioner

2. At about 4.30 A.M. yesterday morning the 25th I received a telegram from the chairman of Wallajahnagar Municipality (who is also Tahsildar of Wallajah Saluk) that a person had arrived from Bangalore suspected to be suffering from plague. I was at Chittoor having come there on urgent business on the 24th from Tirupati, and had intended to return to Tirupati on the 25th. On receipt of the telegram I wired to Surgeon Major Baumerman who was at Tirupati and also to the District Surgeon Vellore. Surgeon Major Baumerman came by the next train which I joined and we proceeded via Arcot Railway station to Wallajahnagar, being joined at Katpadi by the District Surgeon, Surgeon Lieut. Col. Lancaster, who had sent the Vellore Assistant Surgeon

Surgeon in advance early that morning. We arrived at Wallajahnagar about 4.30 P.M. yesterday and saw the woman in question. She was suffering from fever but had then no distinctive symptoms of plague. She however died this morning at 1. A.M. and we saw the corpse this morning. Surgeon Major Baumerman who has great experience of plague has no doubt whatever from the appearance of the corpse (swollen glands in the right groin) but that the woman died of plague.

3. It appears that Muthappa Chetti, a Lingayat by caste, was working as a cooly in Arulapet alias Panjupet, Bangalore. He returned to Wallajahnagar a little time ago, but went back again to Bangalore a fortnight ago. His son Chenzalappa aged about

about twenty five died at Bangalore of fever (possibly plague) about the 15th or 16th Instant. Muthappa Chelki left Bangalore on the 22nd Instant by the 7.10 A.M. train, accompanied by his wife Muniammal aged forty and his son Basavappa aged fourteen, and arrived at Arcot Railway station at 3.49 P.M. the same day. They came by gutka to a Kingayat Makhani on the outskirts of Wallajahpur and were kept under observation having been given passports at ^{Arcot} Railway station. Muniammal got fever on the morning of the 24th and died at 1 A.M. to-day. The son Basavappa has slight fever but no special symptoms indicative of plague.

4. The following precautions have been carried out under the advice of Surgeon Major Bannerman. Muthappa Chelki and his son Basavappa

Basavappa and 5 other persons residing in the Makhani have been segregated (with the aid of a police guard) in the Makhani itself, which is a suitable building being more or less isolated and on the outskirts of the town. The boy Basavappa managed yesterday night to escape and he went to the house of some relatives. These relatives four in number have been segregated in a suitable building at a considerable distance from the town and their house has been disinfected, and exposed to the sun and the floor which is of chumam flooded with disinfectant, and bratties have also been burnt on it. The floor of the Makhani also of chumam has been flooded with disinfectant and bratties ^{the corpse was buried 6 ft deep after disinfection} burnt on it. The places which the

the deceased used as a latrine
have been disinfected by fire.
The gutka in which the party
arrived has been disinfected, and
the mats and roof burnt; the
driver is kept under observation.
I have requested the Agent and
Manager Madras Railway to
disinfect the 3rd class carriages
of the train by which the party
travelled. I am also offering
rewards for the destruction of
rats.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most obedient servant
W. W. W. W.

Ag Collector

P. S. The boy Basavappa is now
(8. P. M.) free from fever. Surgeon Major Baumerman
very kindly delivered a lecture this
evening on the subject of Bubonic
Plague, which was largely attended,
and which will, I hope, tend to remove
the

the prejudices of the populace
against segregation and in-
oculation

W. W. W. W.

Ag Collector

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From
The Collector of
North Borth

To
The Plague Commission
Madras

Refer as No 178.P. of 28
of 26th September 1858

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about a death from
plague in Wallajah-
magor.

No 29.429.9.58

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