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It is further certified that the town (and port of Calcutta are at present † free from plague, epidemic cholera, yellow fever, and all other dangerous epidemic disease.

† Or as the case may be.

The persons named below, who are personally known to me, or whose identity has been proved to my satisfaction, have produced the annexed Certificates from Commissioned Medical Officers duly appointed in this behalf.

APPENDIX I.

CERTIFICATE.

I do hereby certify that I have examined _____, who is personally known to me or whose identity has been proved to my satisfaction, a passenger on the ship _____, not more than twelve hours before the departure of the ship from the port of _____, and find him in good health, except as noted in the margin, and free from any symptoms of bubonic plague.

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OFFICE OF THE DEWAN OF MYSORE,
Dated Bangalore, 11th October 1898.

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers vested in them under Section 2, Sub-Section (1), of the Epidemic Diseases Regulation No. II of 1897, the Government of Mysore are pleased to prohibit the holding of the under-mentioned Jatras at the places and on the dates specified against each:—

1. Sringeri, Keppa taluk, Dasara Jatra, from 15th October 1898, lasts till 29th idem.
2. Kalasa, Mudgere taluk, Girijamma's Kalyana, from 24th November 1898, 11th day in the Moon's increase of Kartika, lasts for 8 days.
3. Gonibede, Mudgere taluk, Subramanya Devara Car Festival, 10th December 1898, 12th day of the Moon's decrease of Kartika, lasts for 4 days.
4. Kulavalli, Mudgere taluk, Subramanya Devara Car Festival, 18th December 1898, 6th day of Moon's increase of Margasira, lasts for 4 days.
5. Balehole, Mudgere taluk, Chennakesava Devara Car Festival, 25th December 1898, 13th day of Moon's increase of Margasira, lasts for 4 days.

By Order,

C. SREENIVASIENGAR,
Secy. to Govt., Gen. & Rev. Depts.

Exd.—C.P.S.

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No. 4046.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
HOME DEPARTMENT.

SANITARY.
Plague.

Simla, the 7th October 1898.

NOTIFICATION.

WHEREAS the Governor General in Council is satisfied that there is a danger of an outbreak of dangerous epidemic disease in the Harpanhalli taluk, in the Bellary District of the Madras Presidency, if pilgrims or other persons from the Bombay Presidency and the Hyderabad, Baroda and Mysore States are permitted to assemble at that place on the occasion of the ensuing Uchchangidugam festival:

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 2, sub-section (1) of the Epidemic Diseases Act (III of 1897), the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that no tickets to travel by railway to the stations of Ranibennur, Chalgeri and Harihar on the Harihar Branch of the Southern Mahratta Railway, and Davangere and Tolahanse on the Mysore State Railway shall be sold from the 18th to the 28th October 1898 (both days inclusive) within the Bombay Presidency and the Hyderabad, Baroda and Mysore States to any pilgrim or other person intending or believed to be intending to proceed on pilgrimage to the Uchchangidugam festival.

A. H. L. FRASER,
Offg. Secretary to the Government of India.

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* With reference to the telegram from that Government, dated the 3rd instant.

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Government of Madras*
Bombay
Resident at Hyderabad
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By order,
R. NATHAN,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

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