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DATED 31-X-98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Plague in Vellore ✓

Recording the report on — from
the Collector of North Arcot.

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North Arc Collector's Office
Camp Vellore, dated 20th October 98
Refon car No 403-P. of 28

From

J. R. Batten Esquire
As collector of North Arc

To

The Plague Commissioner
Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to con-
firm the following telegram des-
patched from Chittoor yesterday:—

"Municipal chairman Vellore"
"wires one suspicious case one sus-"
"picious death plague body cremated"
"family observed under medical advice"
"imported Bangalore five days ago"
"wire ends am going Vellore"

2. The telegram embodied in the
above I received from Vellore about
11.0'clock yesterday the 19th Instant
and accordingly left Chittoor for that
place by the 2 P.M. train with Mr. Scott Elliot.
There was about half an hour's delay
in starting the train at Chittoor owing
to a mishap to the engine. On arrival
at Vellore station about 4 P.M. we
were met by the District Medical
and

and Sanitary officer Col: Lancaster I.M.S. Accompanied by him we went to the house in Avulkara street where we found a woman by name Salammal with a fever of 103° and with that peculiar look on the face which I have seen depicted in photographs taken of plague cases at Bombay. Blood was also oozing from the nostrils and her right eye lid was swollen. Her little son named Munnisamy, aged five years, was also suffering from fever of 104° and from a glandular swelling on the left side of his neck. These symptoms developed on the little boy after the despatch of the chairman's telegram and were accordingly not mentioned in mine.

3. The facts of the case are as follows:-

A party from Bangalore consisting of one Varadarajulu Naidu, his wife Salammal and two little boys aged ^(a) five years and two ^(b) months respectively alighted at Katpadi station on the 13th Instant. They were provided with passports there and proceeded to Vellore where they arrived, presumably

(a) Munnisamy
(b) not named

presumably on the same day but it is not known for certain as the inhabitants of the house do not give clear information on the subject. The man's name was entered on the passport as Munnisamy but it has since been ascertained that his real name is Varadarajulu Naidu. The party did not present themselves for examination before the local authorities and it was not till the 18th Instant that anything was known about them. On that day about 12 noon one of the Sanitary Inspectors residing in the same street came to know that a man had died in the house. On enquiry he found that the deceased had lately arrived from Bangalore and the case was accordingly reported to the District Medical and Sanitary officer who proceeded at once to the house arriving there about 1.30 P.M. The corpse on examination showed no buboes and the inmates of the house said that the man had died of heart disease. The District Medical

and

and Sanitary officer was assured by a milkman that the man had come from Bangalore and so the necessary steps were taken for disinfecting the corpse which was cremated at five o'clock in the afternoon. The house was whitewashed and sprinkled with disinfectants and those assisting at the cremation were after thorough disinfection, sent to their homes. A guard was at once put over the house to prevent people coming in or going out. I am of opinion that the man died of plague as heart disease, I believe, renders a man an easy victim to plague in its very early stages.

4. Anul Kara street where the house is situated is at the South West end of the town and runs from North to South. The house is particularly fortunate in its position as it is situated at the end of the street with no dwelling houses contiguous to it.

5. The following were the inmates of the house before the arrival of the party quoted in para 3

(a) one male and 5 females who are

are relatives of the deceased
(b) one male and three females who lodge in the house

The above are all still living in the house under the supervision of the guard.

6. At 7.30 this morning I proceeded again with the District Medical and Sanitary officer and Mr. Scott Elliot to the house and found the woman Salammal in a thorough state of collapse. The little boy showed no signs of improvement and I fear he is undoubtedly suffering from plague.

At 9 P. M. the woman died and her body has been cremated and the necessary measures for disinfection taken. Owing to the weak condition of the little boy it has been decided not to move the boy and the inmates to the segregation camp until he takes a turn for the better in which case the whole household will be removed to the segregation

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thoroughly disinfected. Owing to
the isolated position of the house
I consider no danger will accrue
from the inmates remaining in it
for the present. Should he die the
same measures will be taken.
The segregation camp has already
been erected by the Municipality in
a suitable spot at some distance
from the town.

7. The Brahmins of Vellore
have decided to erect their own
segregation camp. I am going to select
the site in consultation with them
tomorrow morning. I hope to be able
to persuade the Muhammadians to
do the same.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours Most Obedient servant.

W. B. Allen
Secy. to Collector

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