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G.O., No. 142, 20th February 1897.

FEBRUARY.

Importation of Rags, &c.

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MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper :—

Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Local and Municipal Department, dated Calcutta, 17th February 1897, No. 516, Sanitary.

Your telegram dated 30th January. Following notification regarding import from infected ports of commodities likely to spread infection issued and will be published in *Gazette of India* of 20th February : Begins. "In exercise of the powers conferred by section 2 (1) of Act 3 of 1897 and in supersession of notification No. 389 (in the Department of Finance and Commerce) S.R., dated the 22nd January 1897, the Governor-General in Council hereby prohibits the bringing of rags, used apparel and bedding, waste paper and used gunny bags from any port with regard to which rules for quarantine against plague have been issued under section 1 of Act 1 of 1870 into any port in British India." Ends. Government of India consider it will be best that they should continue to issue regulations affecting sea-borne trade and that Local Governments should not issue such regulations under Epidemic Diseases Act. Government of India are asking Ceylon Government to issue similar prohibition.

No. 182, Local and Municipal.

Transferred to the Public Works (Marine) Department.

Fort St. George, (Signed) G. S. FORBES,
18th February 1897. Secretary to Government.

Order—No. 142, Marine, dated 20th February 1897.

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2. Collectors of maritime districts will note that the importation of used gunny bags is equally objectionable whether they contain articles of merchandise or are imported as returned empties. The masters of vessels now in port from ports under quarantine should therefore be required to transfer into new gunny bags before landing, or to land in bulk, all goods on board their vessels contained in used gunny bags.

NOTIFICATION.

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[Here enter No. 143, Marine, dated 20th February 1897.]

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent, Government Press.
" the Presidency Port Officer.
" Collectors, Maritime Districts.
" the Local and Municipal Department.
" the Revenue Department.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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G.O., No. 279, 22nd March 1897.

MARCH.

Importation of Salt

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue), dated 13th February 1897, Mis. No. 963.

Read—G.O., Mis. No. 1227, Revenue, dated 4th March 1897.

Resolution—Mis. No. 963, dated 13th February 1897.

The Board begs to suggest that the Government of Bombay be requested, by wire, to notify that salt shipped in old bags from quarantine ports is liable to be dealt as directed in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 142, Marine, dated 20th February 1897. It would further suggest that the Government of Goa's attention be called to the importance of excluding this source of danger, as large quantities of salt are imported into Bellary, etc., through Goa. The attention of the Collectors of the West Coast districts will be called to the importance of seeing that the rule is enforced with regard to salt.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) EDMUND MILLETT,
Assistant Secretary.

Mis. No. 1485, Revenue.

Transferred to the Public Works Department (Marine).

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18th March 1897.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

ORDER—No. 279, Marine, dated 22nd March 1897.

Ordered that the following telegram be despatched to the Government of Bombay :—

> "Importation of used gunnies from quarantined ports has been prohibited. Salt shipped in old bags will therefore have to be transferred on board to new bags or landed in bulk. Please notify to shipping agents."

2. It is observed that action has already been taken in the Local and Municipal Department in regard to the land route from Goa (*vide* G.O., No. 316 M., dated 26th February 1897).

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, Colonel, R.E.,
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To the Board of Revenue.
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" Local and Municipal Department.
" Presidency Port Officer.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .
Current No. 77 P of 1898, dated 17. 2. 98 from the Govt of Bombay
Current No. 84 P of 1898, dated 17. 2. 98 from the Do
" " 87 P of 1898 " 19. 2. 98 " " Collector of Kurnool
" " 88 P " " do.

SUBJECT.

H.M.

FOR ORDERS.

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Bombay Govt. ~~has~~ telegraphed bringing to notice that Salt and the gunny bags in which it is packed ~~are~~ are being disinfected at Kurnool Road, & urging that this is unnecessary.

2. The Collr. of Kurnool who was asked by wire cannot reply yet as to Kurnool Road, but admits disinfection at Kurnool Town, relying on expert advice.

3. The Sanit. Commr. now tells me personally
that disinfection of Salt is unnecessary;
but that it shd be imported only in new bags;
& that the bags of salt ~~to~~ shd be exposed to sun for four hours.

4. This seems reasonable

This is as I always supposed. The salt must be rought in in new bags only oth by land and sea, & r railway companies must e compelled to refuse salt endered in other than new ags— Despite this point as been entirely neglected— imilarly as to sea import— poken (or wrote) to Mr. Forbes a few days ago. Please see that he has attended to the matter. If salt or anything else is brought in in used bags its landing ~~&c.~~ or removal from the train shouldn't be allowed. When salt &c comes in in new bags, ~~the contents should be removed &~~ the bags sh'd be exposed to the sun, ~~outside~~ after all dirt adhering outside has been removed ~~and contents~~ for 4 days (not hours, as you put it. Vide the Plague San. Commr's No. 2702/F d/ 28-12-97 to the Kurnool D.M. & S.O.)

22/2/98

As there seems some doubt as to what the San. Commr. meant better refer to him & act accordingly—

23/2/98

& is consistent with G.O. 279. Mar. 22. March 97 prohibiting importation of salt in old gunny bags.

5. May the Govt. of Bombay be answered, & the Collr. of Kurnool instructed, accordingly.

H.T.
22-2-98

Desp'd ~~24~~/2/98 Wire Collr. Kurnool. deferred

Importation of salt sh'd be permitted only in new gunny bags. Dirt adhering to bag sh'd be scraped & burnt, and bag exposed to four hours sun. Do not open bag. Nothing further required. Instruct Kurnool & Kurnool Road accordingly.

Desp'd 24/2/98 Wire Bombay Govt. deferred.
Kurnool Collr. instructed importation of salt is permitted only in new gunny bags, for which he sh'd require only four hours disinfection in sun without opening bag.

H.T.
24. 2. 98

Office. As to rest of this order, bring with India's letter.

[L. & M. Dept.
500—23-9-97.]

NOTE FOR THE San^y. Comm^r.

H. M. Considered yesterday that I must have made a mistake in quoting 4 hours for disinfection of Salt bags – thinking you must have said days.

H.T.
24-2-98

The four days was required having regard to errors in turning articles in practice. The term of four hours was quoted as the minimum within which experimental practice has proved destruction possible.

WGKing

P.S. I did give 4 hours as the term feasible to Ind. Government on the above grounds. W

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again G.O. No 142 Marine dt 20-2-97
" 279 Mar dt 22-3-9
" 126 P, ~~Lit~~ dt 2.3.9
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~~bags (Forwarded) Should, however, ore delivery to the consignee, be exposed ur hours' sun, all dirt adhering to them first scraped & burnt. It is not essary to open them.~~

(Forwarded)

The Secy to Govt Marine Dept for Counter-initials –

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all Collrs Despd 26/3/98
" Chairmen of Municipal Councils
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Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .
Current No. 112 P of 1898, dated 18. 2. 98 from the Government of India
Current No. of 189 , dated from the

SUBJECT
Importation of used gunny bags from plague infected areas.

H. M. **FOR ORDERS.**

D By Notification No. 513, Sanitary, dated 17th February 1897, the Government of India prohibited the bringing of used gunny bags and some other articles from quarantined ports. The prohibition was extended in Notification No. 1033, dated 22nd March 1897, F in which the import of these articles from the Bombay Presidency into any other part of British India was forbidden.

in G.O. 171 P
9.3.98

2. The letter now received from the Government of India (C. No. 112 P) P gives cover to another Notification withdrawing the prohibition against the bringing of used gunny bags from the Bombay Presy into other parts of India. This action has been taken because the grain and seed merchants of Bombay have complained that the

prohibition

prohibition operates as a serious hindrance to trade by compelling importers to use new bags, and because the Government of India has been advised that the uses to which gunny bags are put in the course of trade are not such as to render them subject to the contamination of plague infection.

3. Orders are solicited as to whether the Madras regulations and rulings noted below should not be revised in deference to the views of the Government of India

(a) Mufassal Regulation 13, and Madras City Regulation 7, authorising the (disinfection or) destruction of second hand gunny bags imported from any part of India which is infected by the plague. in G.O. 2830M 17.12.97 Q

(b) G.O. No. 142, Marine, d/ 20.2.97, in which the Collectors of Maritime districts have been told that the importation of used gunny bags is equally objectionable whether they contain articles of merchandise or are imported as returned empties. D

R (c) G.O. No. 279, Marine, d/ 22.3.97, in which the Bombay Government was informed that the importation of gunnies from quarantined ports having been prohibited, Salt shipped in old bags should be either transferred on board to new bags or landed in bulk.

A (d) Telegram d/ 24.2.98 to the Collector of Kurnool informing him that the importation of Salt from Bombay and other infected places should be permitted only in new gunny bags.

V 4. The orders passed by the Honourable Member on the Bombay reference about disinfection of Salt and the gunny bags containing it imported from Bombay have, with the exception of that referred to in paragraph 3(d) supra, been held in abeyance ~~in consequence of the receipt~~ pending orders on of the Government of India notification now under question.

Submitted it is very important that the principles laid down by India for Plague administration sh^d be promptly accepted by Local Govts; 2/3/98

& that our orders & Regns may be revised. W.T. 3.3.98

Yes – But let the San. Commr. know d.o. that if he thinks India has made a mistake he is at liberty to submit his views K.B. 4/3/98

FOR ORDERS.

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[L. & M. Dept. 500—23-9-97.]

NOTE FOR THE Secretary

H.E.'s remarks of 22-2-98 V

"... The Ry Companies must be compelled to refuse salt tendered in other than new bags. I expect this point has been entirely neglected"

The 1st Asst P.W. Dept Ry branch telephones that G.O. No 316 M. of 26-2-97 (Flag K) in which this course was suggested has been communicated to the 3 railway Companies in the Madras Presy. vide telephone message X.

"Similarly, as to Sea import. I spoke (or wrote) to Mr Forbes a few days ago. Please see that he has attended to the matter"

The papers are now pending in the Marine Dept, having been transferred to that Dept by the Rev Secretary. The matter has been referred to the Board of Rev— vide telephone message Z.

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A reference has by order of the Honble President been made to the Board of Revenue to ascertain what articles likely to carry infections are brought to ports in this Presidency in bags. A reply is awaited.

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F. C 2.

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345—P. K. B.

[L. & M. Dept.
500—23-9-97.]

NOTE FOR THE Secretary

Mufassal Reg 13 and City Reg 7 do not prohibit the import of second hand gunny bags, & the power of destroying these articles is left to the discretion of the Collr or the President. ~~The~~ Necessity may arise for the exercise of this power, & the Regulations may therefore remain unaltered.

Lees
4/3/98

98.—345—P. K. B.

Notification

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HOME DEPARTMENT.

SANITARY.

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G. I. C. P. O.—No. 108 H. D. P. P.—21-2-98.—345—P. K. B.

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 77 P

Ref ~~Order~~ 201 A d/ 18-2-98

~~Forwarded to the Sanitary Commissioner for early opinion.~~ The following telegram ~~will~~ be despatched to the Coll: of Kurnool:-

"~~[illegible]~~ Bombay wires salt and gunny bags containing it are disinfected at Kurnool Road. wire explanation. ~~Bombay Govt states infection by salt improbable or impossible.~~"

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18/2/98.

From Telgm

The Government of Bomba

No.

~~Despd.~~ 18.2.98

Dated 17. 2. 98

refer

Received
Registered } 18. 2. 98

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SUBJECT.

Requesting that orders ma be issued to discontinue the practice of disinfecting at Kurnool Road gunny bags containing Salt imported from Bomba

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San^y. Comm^r. was telegraphed to, to come to office to advise on this. He says disinfection of Salt unnecessary; but the gunny bags containing it sh^d ~~be~~ new and be disinfected by exposure to Sun for 4 hours.

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INDIAN TELEGRAPH. Monthly Local No. 37

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To Station Ms Adyar				From Station Bombay
Words. 60	Day. 17	Hour. 1	Minute.	Official Instruction.
To (Person) The Govt of Madras				From (Person) Bombay

CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS 18 FEB 1898

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2 Salt imported from

3 Bombay and gunny

4 bags containing it

5 are reported to be

6 disinfected at

7 Kurnool road it

8 appears to this Government

9 that conveyance of

10 infection by salt

11 is exceedingly

12 improbable or impossible

Recd. from L. N. Sent ADYAR L. N.

And if Madras Govt.

agree issue of orders

stopping apparently

needless interference

with trade is requested

letter follows

ADYAR 17 FE. 98

Recd. from L. N. Sent to L. N.

At Hrs. Mts. By At Hrs. Mts. By

Date Postmaster.

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L & M

~~Revenue~~ (1898) Department.

Handed over to L & M Dept.

CURRENT No. ~~1152~~ 84-P.

21/2/98

From

22.2.98

The Government of Bombay Revenue Dept.

Order

No. 1229.

Dated 17th Febry

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Registered 19 „

Enclosures 3.

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding copies of certain papers explaining the circumstances in which the Govt. of Bombay suggests that the Govt. of Madras may be moved to issue orders putting a stop to the practice of disinfecting at Kurnool Road salt imported from Bombay.

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Southern Mahratta Railway Company (Ld)

No. 7952 Agents Office.

Dharwar 31st January 1898.

To,

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Bombay.

Disinfection of Salt at Kurnool Road

Sir,

The Traffic Manager reports that, at Kurnool Road, the Collector has, on the recommendation of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer ordered the disinfection of salt imported from Bombay.

2 I should be glad to know whether such a step is usual (I have not heard of it elsewhere). If not, I should be obliged if you would address the Madras Government on the subject.

Encl 1
No. 84.9

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
J. Murdoch
Major R. E,
Agent.

1898
[illegible] DEPARTMENT
Enclosure No. 1
Current No. 1452

Below No. 908, dated 8th February
1898 from Government Revenue Deptt
No 804 of 1898.

Very urgent

Bombay 15th February 1898.

With reference to the above the Acting Commissioner has the honour to report that he has consulted the Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay and the Plague Commissioner, Bombay Presidency. The Surgeon General is of opinion that disinfection of Salt is quite unnecessary and the Hon'ble Mr Wingate (whose memo No. 397 of 10th instant is enclosed) considers that any such interference with trade would be very regrettable. The Acting Commissioner fully concurs with the above officers and would respectfully suggest that the Madras Government be

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be asked by telegram to put a stop to this needless harassment to the trade.

2. A copy of this office telegram to the Collector of Kurnool and of his reply is herewith submitted.

Sd/ J. M. Campbell
Ag. Commr. of Customs Salt Opium & Abkari.

Urgent No: 397 of 1898

Bombay, 10th February 1898.

Memorandum

With reference to the Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari's letter No: 716 of 10th instant the Plague Commissioner would observe that the information is not sufficiently precise and he would suggest a reference by wire to the Collectors concerned to ask if the report is correct and if so whether only the gunny bags are disinfected or the Salt also and in what manner the disinfection is done. Any such interference with trade would in the opinion of the Plague Commissioner be very regrettable

Sd/ A. Wingate
Plague Commissioner

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Telegram deferred State.

To Kurnool

To Collector of Kurnool

Please wire if report is correct that you have ordered disinfection at Kurnool Road of salt imported from Bombay × If so are gunny bags only disinfected or the salt also and in what manner is disinfection done ×

Bombay }
11th Feby 1898 }

Sd. J. M. Campbell
Ag. Commr: of Customs &ca

Telegram deferred

To Bombay,
" Commr. of Customs.

Your telegram eleventh × Power of disinfection delegated to Kurnool Municipal Chairman and divisional Magistrates × Salt and gunny bags from infected areas disinfected separately

Kurnool

Kurnool town at district Surgeon suggestion by exposure to Sun four hours two consecutive days information called for regarding disinfection of salt at Kurnool road ×

of Kurnool
13th Feby 1898 }"

True copies

Shamrao Dhanukar
Superintendent, Revenue
Department.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT
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[illegible] No. 1452

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No. 1229 of 1898.

Revenue Department.

Bombay Castle, 17th February 1898.

From

The Honourable Mr. J. Monteath,
C. S. I., I. C. S.,
Chief Secretary to the Government
of Bombay.

To

The Secretary to the Government of
Madras.

Sir,

In continuation of my telegram × dated the 17th. instant I am directed to forward copies of the papers specified in the margin explaining the circumstances in which the Bombay Government suggest that the Government of Madras may be moved to issue orders putting a stop to the practice of disinfecting at Karnool Road salt importe from Bombay.

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Letter from the Agent, Southern Maratha Railway Company, No. 7952/1012, dated 31st. January 1898.

Memorandum from the Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari No. 804 dated 15th. February 1898 and accompaniments.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Chief Secretary to Government.

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

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From Telegram

The Collector of Kurnool

Order

No.

Dated 19. 2. 98

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Registered } 21. 2. 98

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SUBJECT.

Stating that Salt imported from ~~Bombay~~ infected areas is disinfected at Kurnool town under orders of Municipal Chairman on the advice of the Dt. Surgeon

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To Madras Chb Station

From Kurnool Station

Words.	Day.	Hour.	Minute.	Official Instruction.
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To (Person) The Secretary to Govt Local and Municipal Department

From (Person) Collector

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Your telegram 18th power
of disinfection delegated
to Kurnool municipal chairman
and divisional magistrates in
Salt and gunny bags containing
it if imported from infected
areas are disinfected at Kurnool
town by exposure to sun four
hours two consecutive days
under chairmans orders and
at advise of district surgeon
Who thinks salt most
likely to convey infection
and disinfection necessary
under government orders
779 second april and 1170
eleventh may 1897 information
Called for regarding disinfecting
disinfection salt Kurnool
road letter follows

Recd. from L. N.
At Hrs. Mts. By

Sent to L. N.
At Hrs. Mts. By

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Date

Postmaster.

Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

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21 FEB. 1898
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

From The Collector of Kurnool

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SUBJECT.

Submitting explanation regarding the disinfection of salt imported from localities infected by the bubonic plague

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Plague

No 2702/2

Office of the Sanitary Comm
Fort Saint George, 28.12.9

From

Surgeon Lieut Col: W. G. King
M.B. C.M. D.P.H
Sanitary Commissi
for Madras

To

The District Medical and
Sanitary Officer
Kurnool.

Sir

With reference to your letter No. 3125, dated 14th distant, I have the honor to state that if you considered the salt was received from an infected locality, it would have been advisable to have required disinfection of the gunny bags on their arrival by sun exposure and lime washing of earth-stained portions. I now understand that salt has been emptied from them. Under these circumstances, they became second hand bags but have not been imported a second time. Under these circumstances, I think public safety would be sufficiently secured if you direct

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that

that they be exposed to the sun with frequent turning for four ~~hours~~ days. At the end of that time, they must be resolved (returned?) to the owner. The importer might be warned that as salt is procurable in this Presidency, it is not advisable he should continue the traffic, and that if again effected by him more strenuous efforts for protection of the public safety may be necessary.

I remain
(Sd) W. G. King M.B.
Surg: Lieut Col
Sanity Commr
Madras

(True copy)

Ag Collector
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Plague

No. Kurnool COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

19 — 2 — 1898.

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL CURRENT No. 88-P

FROM Mahamed Raza Kan Esq.,

acting COLLECTOR OF

Kurnool

TO

THE SECRETARY TO ~~THE COMMISSIONER OF~~ Government

Local and Municipal Department,

Madras.

SIR,

Adverting to your telegram of the 18th instant, I have the honour to state that the power of ~~inspection~~ disinfection possessed by Collectors under Regulation 13 of the Regulations for combating the bubonic plague in District Municipalities, Towns and Villages was, delegated by Mr Elwin in November last, to the Chairman, Municipal Council Kurnool, and Divisional Magistrates. The District Medical & Sanitary officer being of opinion that salt is one of the articles of import most likely to convey infections, this article and the gunny bags containing it, are separately disinfected by sun exposure for 4 hours for two consecutive days.

At his suggestion made to the Chairman who issues the necessary orders.

On receipt of a telegram on the 19th ultimo from the Traffic Manager, Southern Maharatta Railway, regarding the disinfection of salt I sent it to the District Medical & Sanitary Officer for remarks. He stated that disinfection was resorted to in accordance with the provisions of Government orders Nos. 779 dated 2-4-97 & 1170 dated 11-5-97. He added, that the importation of the article from infected areas might be prohibited as it was available in this Presidency and forwarded to me a copy of Dr King's letter No 2702× dated 28-12-97 in which that officer had written to him that a certain merchant who imported salt from Bombay might be warned that it was not advisable to continue the traffic. I however pointed out to the District Medical & Sanitary officer that any interference with the free course of trade would be unauthorized, however plentifully salt might be had in this Presidency. When I met Dr King at Ongole shortly after I took charge of this District, he advised that the salt should be emptied and that the article as well as the outer and inner surfaces of the gunny

×Copy enclosed

disinfected by exposure to sun.

2. As regards the disinfection at Kurnool Road, the Deputy Magistrate of Peapalli Division was directed on the 13th instant to report whether the process was authorized by him but no reply has yet been received from him. He has been reminded by wire today.

3. I may add that as plague is reported to exist in an epidemic form in Naldrug & Gulburga Districts (H. H. the Nizam's Dominions) the latter of which is only about 50 or 60 miles from this District, special precautions are necessary in the way of disinfection of articles imported from infected areas and that the continuance of the present practice is very desirable as advised to me by Dr King.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Md Raza Khan
Acting Collector

20/2/98

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FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE
COMMISSIONER OF

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

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From The ~~Government of India~~ Home dept.

Order

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Forwarding copy of a notification ~~with~~ Cancelling the prohibition against the bringing of used gunny bags from the Bombay Presidency into other parts of India

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

SANITARY.

Calcutta, the 18th February 1898.

NOTIFICATION.

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, in the Notification of the Government of India in the Home Department, No. 1033, dated the 22nd March 1897, as amended by Notification No. 2126, dated the 15th September 1897, for the words "rags, waste paper, and used gunny bags" the words "rags and waste paper" shall be substituted.

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J. P. HEWETT,

Secretary to the Government of India.

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
21 FEB. 1898
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

No. 332.

FROM

R. NATHAN, Esq.,
Under Secretary to the Government of India,

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of Madras,
Local and Municl. Department.

Home Department.
Sanitary.

Calcutta, the 18th February 1898.

SIR,

I AM directed to forward, for the information of the Government of Madras, a copy of a Notification issued by the Governor General in Council, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Epidemic Diseases Act, cancelling the prohibition against the bringing of used gunny bags from the Bombay Presidency into other parts of India.

2. The grain and seed merchants of Bombay have represented that the prohibition operates as a serious hindrance to the trade in grain and seeds, by compelling importers to use new bags for the transport of their produce. The Governor General in Council recognizes the gravity of this obstruction to trade and has carefully considered the question of the necessity of maintaining the prohibition. His Excellency in Council is advised that the uses to which gunny bags are put in the course of trade are not such as to render them subject to the contamination of plague infection, and that the withdrawal of the prohibition in the case of gunny bags will not entail any danger. The Notification which accompanies this letter has accordingly been issued.

I have the honour to be,

SIR,

Your most obedient Servant,

R. Nathan

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

S. C. will follow

What consequential changes must we make?

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Salt

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Abstract Recording, with reference to the telegrams stating that importation of Salt from Bombay Port should be permitted only in new gunnybags, that the dirt adhering to the bags should be scraped & burnt and that the bags should be exposed to the sun for four hours, letter from the Collector of Kurnool stating that he has ordered that the practise of disinfecting Salt and gunny bags containing it imported from ~~Bomb~~ infected areas, should continue

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