

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

(1898)

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 246

DATED 19.10.98

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Plague Shed

Informing that the Collector  
of Salem that the Agent & manager  
M R Co. has been requested to lend  
materials for the construction of  
at Polampet.

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Madras Railway Company

Agent and Managers Office

Rajapuram Services

Madras, 13<sup>th</sup> October 1898.

From

The Agent and Manager

Madras Railway Company

To The Acting Collector and District Magistrate

Salem

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that your letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> of October received at Raichur on Tuesday last in my arrival from Bombay.

I took the opportunity when in Bombay of learning from the Agent of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway if that Company had been required to erect at its own expense sheds for the accommodation of passengers detained at Raichur Stations for Examination by Plague authorities and I was assured that no such request had been made but that the cost of sheds required for Plague officers and their staff and for the Examination of passengers was met by the Civil Department.

This is the reply too, that was given me from Calcutta when I asked that rule was being followed there.

I am personally most willing to assist the Plague authorities and I shall be glad to give instructions for the erections of any Sheds that are wanted, provided I receive an assurance that the cost incurred by the Company will be re-imbursed, but I cannot in the face of the information given to me from Bombay and Calcutta incur an expense which my Board may disapprove of until at all events I have referred the matter to London for the instructions of my Directors.

It has been held that no act of the Indian Legislature can override the Contract agreed to between the Secretary of State and the Company, and as there is no provision in this Contract for building Sheds at Railway Stations when such Sheds are required by Plague officials, my Directors may possibly determine to refer the point at issue to the Secretary of State.

To effectively cover the platforms at Jolarpet so as to prevent Plague officials and passengers when under Examination from being exposed to rain, will cost a very large sum of money and I regret that I do not see my way therefore to comply with your request so long as it is laid down that the Expense incurred in erecting Sheds is to be borne by the Company.

As two Plague officers seem to agree as to what is required at Railway Stations while one as for a Shed in which to examine passengers another asks for Tables, chairs, Lamps &c.

We have extensive Covered platforms at both the North and South of the Jolarpet Station and to me it seems unreasonable to require the Company to incur further expense.

I have &c  
(Signed) Lewis S. Moss  
Agent and Manager.

(True Copy)

Ref on No 387 held  
O.C. 17.10

Endorsement

Submitted to the Plague Commissioner for  
orders in continuation of Telegram of this date.

Robert A. Cole  
Ag. Collector

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I have asked the Agent & Manager if  
he can send the materials by letter  
and rails & make a shed & told  
him that if there are some the  
Commission has been put up  
by the local Fund Engineer.

Meanwhile I am afraid infection  
must go on as at present at  
Harpur Station.

Am

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