

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

(1898)

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Plague

Informing R. Sivasankara
Pandya &c. that Caste Hindus will
be employed for search parties and
no special Carriages will be used
for conveyance of Plague patients

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the Hindu public of anxiety.

We have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servants
R. Sivasankara Pandeyaji

Plague Preventive Measures.

A MEETING OF SOWCARS AT BLACK TOWN.

A meeting of the Gujarati, Bhattish, and Marwaris of Madras was held yesterday evening at the "Krishnavilas," Mint Street, Black Town, with Mr. Kristadoss Balamocondoss in the chair, for the purpose of concerting preventive measures in connection with the plague. There was a large gathering present, and Mr. L. Govindoss explained to the audience, in Gujarati, the objects of the meeting, while Mr. Sivasankara Pandeyaji explained the objects and benefits of inoculation. The following Resolutions were then adopted:—

1. That in case there should be an outbreak of plague in Madras, the members of the communities represented at this meeting do start a hospital for the purpose of treating the infected, and maintain and work the same.
2. That a Committee consisting of seventeen members, with Mr. Kristadoss Balamocondoss as President, Messrs. Govindoss and Sivasankara Pandeyaji, Joint Secretaries, and Mr. Moridoss Ramdoss, Treasurer, with power to add to their number, be formed to carry out the Resolutions of this meeting and to do all that may be necessary in this connection.

3. That a subscription list be now started in aid of plague relief, and kept open as long as necessary.

4. That leaflets be issued in Telugu, Gujarati, and Hindustani, explaining the plague symptoms, the precautionary measures necessary, and giving all information possible regarding the plague.

5. That the inoculation system be adopted and recommended to the public, if it is satisfactorily proved that it is a successful precaution.

6. That one or two sheds be erected or convenient houses rented to serve as plague hospitals.

7. That this meeting, which represents the Gujarati, Bhattish and Marwaris communities, records its expression of thankfulness to the Government for allowing the relatives of plague-patients to visit them in the hospitals.

8. That the Government be requested to sanction, in deference to public feeling and caste prejudices, the employment of caste Hindus to serve on the Search Parties.

9. That in view of the fact that in Bombay the use of special carriages for conveying plague-patients to hospitals, was a source of terrifying the public and aggravating the sickness by working sentimentally on the people, the Government of Madras be requested to allow the patients to use their own carriages or make other arrangements to remove themselves to the Segregation Camps or hospitals, as the case may be.

10. That the proceedings of this meeting be communicated to the Government and published for the information of the public.

Rs. 1,578 was collected at the meeting and Mr. L. Govindoss undertook to support five beds in the Hospitals.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

the 6th instant

10-25-1900

With reference to your letter to Govt. dated 10/11/98

copy of a report of a meeting of Gujaratis etc. at Black Town.

I have to know to say that

Caste Hindus will as far as possible be employed in

Search parties and that

Special Carriages will not be employed to convey patients

to the hospitals where facilities

because of Carriages are so available.

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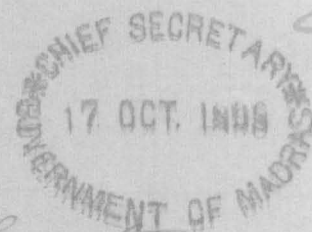
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The Secretaries

Sowcarpett Plague-preventive Committee
Madras

To

The Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Madras,
through the Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

Sir,

We have the honor to inform you that on the 6th October 1898 a public meeting of the Gujaratis, Bhaltrahis, and Marwaris of Madras was held in Prink Street to consider Plague-preventive measures when a number of resolutions were passed concerning the same. We herewith annex for your information a copy of the report of the meeting published in the Madras Mail of the 7th instant.

2. We take this opportunity to request that you will be so good as to convey to the Madras Government the thanks of the Communities above mentioned for the Concessions they have granted us in the Plague regulations.

3. We further request that the Government may be pleased to favor us with the Concessions prayed for in No 349 of the resolutions referred to in para 1, Supra, and thus relieve

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