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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 3094310f.

DATED 4-4-98.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Bubonic Plague Informing the Govt. of Bengal of the measures taken in this Port regarding the reporting of re-booking of railway passengers from infected areas.

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 3180

From

Secretary to the Government,
Bengal.

Order No 309 P. mis. dt 4-4-98

The following letter will
be despatched: Letter No 310 P. mis. dt 4-4-98
To The Secy to the Govt of Bengal

No. 1498 Medl.

Municipal Dept, Medical Branch Dated 15th March '98

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Received 21st March '98

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Enclosures 1

Spare copies. 1 of the encl.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 1498, dt 15-3-98, inquiring what arrangements for railway police are in force on the East Coast Ry in connection with the reporting of arrivals from plague infected areas, and to state in reply that there ~~is~~ at each railway station ^{at least one Police Constable} who is required to telegraph all cases of rebooking of passengers from infected areas to the station master East Coast Railways

SUBJECT.

Forwarding for information a copy of Government circular dt 8th Feb'y '98 containing the system as to reporting arrival from infected areas, and requesting to be informed of the arrangements for the railway police in force on the East Coast Railways

of the station which such rehooking is made. A small staff of head constables has been employed to travel over the line and to see that the rule is carried out.

2 It is under contemplation to issue ^{detailed} ~~direct~~ rules on the subject of observing persons arriving from plague infected parts and a further communication will be sent to you in due course.

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MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

MEDICAL.

Cir. No. 8Medl.

CALCUTTA, THE 8TH FEBRUARY 1898.

FROM H. H. RISLEY, Esq., C.I.E.,

Secretary to the Government of Bengal,

TO ALL COMMISSIONERS OF DIVISIONS.

SIR,

I AM directed to forward, for your information and the necessary action, copies of the Resolution No. 659Medl. of to-day's date, and Plague Regulations Nos. 10 to 13, dealing with precautions against the importation of plague into villages and towns and prevention of its spread should any case unhappily occur. You will observe that the main object of the Resolution and of the Regulations annexed to it is to enlist the co-operation of the people in detecting the first cases, and all your efforts should be directed to securing this end. If District Magistrates explain personally to the Committees of Observation and the Medical Committees the policy of Government as stated in the Resolution, the Lieutenant-Governor believes that they will readily be induced to watch all persons arriving from infected areas and to report suspicious forms of illness, which may show themselves among such persons or among those who have been staying in the same house. The Government of India will be asked to inform this Government regularly what areas should be deemed to be infected, and this information will be communicated direct to District Magistrates.

2. For the reasons stated in the Resolution, all mention of the police has been omitted from the new Regulations. But the arrangements which have been in force since the end of November under Regulation No. 9 will be maintained, subject to certain modifications which will appear from the following instructions:—

I.—INSTRUCTIONS TO POLICE OFFICERS IN RESPECT OF THE REPORTING OF ARRIVALS FROM INFECTED AREAS AND CASES OF PLAGUE IN VILLAGES AND NON-MUNICIPAL TOWNS.

1. *Duties of Station and Outpost Officers, Rural Police and Chaukidari Panchayats.*—Every rural policeman (chaukidar) shall forthwith report to his police-station or outpost the name of every person who has arrived in his village from any area infected with bubonic plague, together with the name of the householder with whom he resides, and shall also report fresh arrivals as they occur. Members of chaukidari panchayats are required to see that the above duty is faithfully performed. The names so reported, with dates, will be entered in a *Special List* to be kept at police-stations and outposts. The Station Officer shall also enter in the *Special List* the names and addresses of travellers from infected areas which are reported to him by the Railway Police under rule 9. He shall also for the space of ten days next following after the persons shown in the *Special List* arrived in his jurisdiction, cause the state of health of such persons to be specially reported to him.

2. Every rural policeman shall report any excessive mortality among rats or monkeys that may occur.

3. Every rural policeman shall be liable, on the requisition of the police-station or outpost officer, to do 24 hours' duty at any railway station situated within the police-station or outpost jurisdiction, and to perform there such duties as shall hereafter be prescribed by circular departmental orders.

4. *Rural Policemen to be present at railway stations.*—The District Superintendent of Police will arrange that two or, if necessary, more than two chaukidars shall be present throughout the 24 hours at such railway stations in his district as the Inspector-General of Police may consider necessary. This arrangement will be made under the District

Municipal DEPARTMENT.

Medical BRANCH.

No. 1498 Med

From

A. H. Disley, Esq., C.I.E.

Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

To

The Secretary to the
Government of Madras.Dated Calcutta, the 15th March 1898.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 118, dated the 8th February 1898, and, with reference to the question of co-operation between the railway police of Madras and of this Province, to forward a copy of this Government Cir. No. 8 med, dated the 8th February 1898, the instructions contained in para: 2 of which state the system in force in Bengal for reporting arrivals from infected areas. I am to request that, with the permission of His Excellency the Governor, this Government may be informed of the arrangements for railway police in force on the East Coast Railway in order to enable the Lieutenant-

Governor

Governor to issue instructions for
co-operation to the Inspector-General
of Police, Bengal.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt servt,

H. H. Miles
Secretary to the Govt of Bengal.

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