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[Despatch Abstract.]

Notification Forwarding to other Local
Govts and Administrations copies of the
— of this Govt regarding the rules
for the observation of travellers arriving
from plague infected tracts.

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Gotacamund,

11. 6. 1898.

From G. S. Forbes Esq I.C.S.
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Local & Municipal Department,

To
The

Sir,
With reference to the instructions of the Government of India, Home
Department, contained in its letter No. 6, Sanitary—602, dated 20th February 1897,
I am directed to forward, for the information of
the following notification issued by this
Government under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.

Notification No. 444, dated 27th May 1898.

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† The Secy to the Govt of India
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" of Bombay
" Bengal
" N.W.P. & Oudh
" the Punjab
" Burma
" Chief Commr, Central Provinces
" Assam
Resident at Hyderabad
" in Mysore
Honble the Colonial Secy, Colombo.

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

Secretary to Government.

* H.C. the Govt Genl. in Council
" of Bombay in Council
H.C. the Lt Govt of Bengal
" N.W.P. & Oudh
" Punjab
" Burma
The Chief Commr, C. Provinces
H.C. the Governor of Assam

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NOTIFICATION.

Ootacamund, May 27, 1898.

No. 444.—In exercise of the powers delegated to him by the Governor-General in Council under section 2, sub-section (3) of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency the Governor of Fort St George in Council prescribes the following Regulations for the observation of persons arriving from plague infected parts in substitution for Regulation 17, published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* Extraordinary, dated 18th December 1897, Part I, page 1587 :—

17. i. Every person arriving from any place declared to be infected with plague shall, before leaving the railway station at which he has alighted, or before disembarking from the steamer, ship or boat in which he has travelled, or in the case of arrival by road either immediately on reaching a Road Frontier Inspection Station or within twelve hours from the time of arrival at any other place, obtain from the officer mentioned in Regulation 17-ii a passport binding him to present himself for daily inspection for the next ten days before the local authority of the town or village where he may be; and he shall be bound so to present himself.

Provided that, where it appears desirable, the Municipal Chairman or any Revenue officer not below the grade of Deputy Tahsildar may, by endorsement on the passport, exempt any person from personal attendance and permit him to be inspected at his residence.

Explanation.—By a “local authority” is meant any of the following officers :—

- (a) The local Medical officer;
- (b) The station-house officer;
- (c) The headman of the village.

In places where there is more than one local authority, the duties prescribed in these rules shall be performed by, or with the permission of the Collector under the orders of, the officer who stands first in the order given in this explanation.

ii. The following officers are authorized to issue passports :—

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| (a) To travellers alighting at Railway Inspection Stations | The medical officer in charge or other officer acting under his orders. |
| (b) To travellers alighting at railway stations included within municipal limits.. | Such Medical, Sanitary or other officer as may be appointed by the Chairman with the Collector's approval. |
| (c) To travellers alighting at other railway stations | The stationmaster or other officer appointed by the Collector for the purpose. |
| (d) To travellers arriving by steamer, ship or boat | The Medical, Sanitary or other officer appointed to examine such travellers. |
| (e) To travellers arriving by road | The Medical, Sanitary or other officer appointed to examine such travellers, or if no such officer has been appointed, the local authority of the place of arrival. |

iii. Every person so arriving from a plague infected place shall declare truly his name, address, and such other particulars as may be required by the officer issuing the passport and shall report forthwith to the local authority any change in his place of residence occurring within ten days from the date of arrival. On the expiry of ten days, he shall deliver up his passport to the local authority of the place where he may then be.

iv. The issue of a passport, or any change in the residence of the person to whom it has been granted, shall immediately be communicated by the officer issuing it (in the former case) or by the local authority (in the latter case) to the Municipal Chairman or the local authority of the place of destination*. If the local authority of the place of destination is not known, the intimation shall be sent to the Tahsildar concerned for transmission to the local officer by whom the traveller has to be observed. The communication may be made by a post card, or by a special messenger, or in any other manner which the Collectors concerned may determine. The telegraph need be used only in urgent cases.

Intimation of departure to any railway station in the Province of Mysore shall, however, be telegraphed to the—

(a) Assistant Surgeon on plague duty, Yesvantpur, when the destination is a station on the Mysore State Railway;

(b) Residency Surgeon, Bangalore, when the destination is a station within Mysore Province on the Madras Railway.

* This rule applies whether the place of destination is in British or Mysore territory.

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v. The local authority of the place of destination shall see that, on the arrival of the traveller, he is observed daily for ten days. Any case of illness or death in the house in which such traveller is or has been residing shall be forthwith reported to the immediate superior of the local authority with full details. After ten days, the passport shall be recovered from the traveller and sent to the Tahsildar.

Any officer of the Revenue Department not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar may require that the person or the clothing and other effects of the traveller shall be disinfected in such manner as may be ordered by the Collector.

vi. The headman of every village shall keep himself promptly informed of the arrival of every person from an infected area without a passport and shall deal with him as in the preceding clauses of this Regulation to which such person shall be bound to submit himself.

vii. A register shall be maintained by each local authority in the following form:—

- (1) Date of receipt of intimation.
- (2) Name of traveller.
- (3) From what infected area arriving.
- (4) Date of arrival of traveller.
- (5) Number, date and place of issue of passport.
- (6) How long kept under observation.
- (7) State of health of the traveller and other persons living in the house in which he is or has been residing.
- (8) Date of departure if occurring within ten days.
- (9) Destination.
- (10) Date of intimation of departure to the local authority of the place of destination.
- (11) Date of despatch of the passport to the Tahsildar.

viii. In the case of persons passing through a Railway Frontier Inspection Station, the medical officer in charge shall arrange to record the following information in respect to every traveller from an infected area who is not detained by him under the provisions of Regulation 14 and to send it without delay—if possible by the railway guard of the same or next train—to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer of the district* to which such traveller is proceeding:—

- (1) Date of arrival.
- (2) Name of traveller.
- (3) Father's name.
- (4) Caste.
- (5) Age.
- (6) Whence coming.

- (7) Destination and residence during the next ten days.

District.
Taluk.
Village.
Street.
Number or name of the owner of the house.

ix. In the case of other persons coming from an infected area, the duty of recording the above information and communicating it to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer shall devolve on the officer issuing the passport.

x. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer shall forward the report referred to in Regulation 17-viii and ix to the Tahsildar concerned, whose duty it shall be to see that the persons therein mentioned are duly observed, and that any case of sickness or death in the houses occupied by them is promptly reported, and to bring to the Collector's notice all instances of omission to issue passports or attempts to evade this Regulation.

xi. Whenever the deaths reported from any village are found to be more frequent than usual, or when any case of fever with glandular swellings is reported, the Tahsildar with the nearest Medical officer shall at once proceed to the village and make inquiries with a view to ascertain whether plague exists in the village.

xii. In municipalities, the Tahsildar's duties under this Regulation shall be performed by the Municipal Chairman. The term "Tahsildar" includes Deputy Tahsildar.

* Whether in British or Mysore territory.

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Ag. Secretary to Government.

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