

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

(189)

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 622
Dated 8/11/98
Despatched 15-11-98.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Isadum Frontier Station, Buddopah

Stating that ——— need not at present
be opened.

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REVENUE (189) DEPARTMENT.

The Acting Collector of

Cuddalore

The

Plague Commission,
Madras.

8681/70N-7

P.C.

Dated

30th

Despatched

1st

October 1898.

Received

REFERENCE No.

23/250

ENCLOSURES

SUBJECT.

Reporting what took place
in the village of Isadamm
in the construction of plague
sheds at this frontier station
and suggesting that it
may be abandoned pending
frontier station under the
circumstances stated within

Submitted for orders. It is no use
erecting then sheds if the people are
so afraid of them and will not
hesitate to burn them down. The
Sanitation staff must of course be
appointed, but as regards accommodation
for any plague cases that may be
detected, it would seem advisable that
the head men & the people of each village
should be told to reserve one or more
isolated huts or houses in the
village - vide concluding portion of
G.O. No 1090 P. dt 17-9-98.

Long
6/11/98

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The Comr. received the plague
Commr. circular on the matter
when he was at Madras & after
in accordance with the
circular the frontier station
at Isadamm was used and he
ordered the people to be
quarantined.

To Mr. Collector Cuddalore
Long
8/11/98

REFERENCE
DISPOSAL

No. 73

7001 offd.

ENCLOSURES.

Dated 1-11-98.

Cuddapah COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Dated 30th October 1898.

(Camp Stadium)

FROM

H. C. D. Harding Esquire
Acting COLLECTOR OF Cuddapah.

TO

THE

Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

SIR,

With reference to your letter no. 359, dated 24th October, 1898, I have the honour to report that I am now in the village Stadium to endeavour to reassure the villagers. I however find it quite impossible. All about the Country here, the people say that the very name of plague officer gives them disorders of their stomach and causes them to die of fear. I also thought it would be easy to settle the question, but it seems quite impossible, and in inspecting the Country I find

a frontier station will be quite useless -
 owing to there being many ways in across
 open country. I am now of opinion that
 the station may be abandoned. It is
 useless spending money on a work that
 cannot fulfil its object and simply
 drives people wild with fear. The
 people are at the same time thoroughly
 afraid of the plague, and are promising
 everywhere to appoint their own watchmen
 and allow none from Mysore to come in.
 Their fears are so real at present that
 unless we import a small army to
 protect our sheds, they would be
 burnt the moment I left the place.
 They even tried to prevent the subcollection
 tents being brought in, and at a village
 nearby they even asked me - but
 without much avail - to wait outside.

I have the honour to be,
 Sir,
 your most obedient servant
 H. S. S. S.

Acting Collector

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