

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 634

Dated 11-11-98

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Telegraph Linemen.

According to the request of the Supt. of
Telegraphs, Bellary Dⁿ, about the grant of ^{the same} privi-
leges regarding detention, disinfection etc. to
— ~~san~~ are granted to engine drivers.

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From Plague Commr's office
C. N. 461
The Collector of
Bellary

To
The Plague Commissioner
Madras

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With reference to your letter no 1570/5th of
October 1898, I have the honour to inform
you that it is not practicable to have
different parties of men for infected and
non-infected sections of the line as proposed.
Respectfully,
Rey Captain Pereira J. M. S.

2. In September I stationed a Lineman at Hospet to try and avoid the difficulty of this detention of Lineman at that place with the following result.

An interruption came on at 23 hours on the 8th September. Linemen were sent out from Hospet and Gadag to inspect the line till they met. They met at Brammankoppa Railway Station at 19 hours the same evening and then returned to their respective stations viz Hospet and Gadag.

The interruption again came on at 23 hours the same evening and the Hospital Lineman was ordered to proceed at day break on the 9th September to restore

Communication. He was ^{not} however allowed
to again leave Hoopet till he was dis-
infected at 11.30 a.m. on the 9th September.

Thus the restoration of Communication
on two important duplex Bombay-Madras
wires carrying international traffic was
delayed some seven hours by this res-
triction.

3. I believe I am right in thinking
that Engine drivers of trains with their
trains and Railway mail service men
with the mails are not detained at
Hoopet for 24 hours to be disinfected,
and I consider that my telegraph staff
should be treated in the same way.

Ref. no. 1570-P
15/10/98

I forwarded to the Plague Commission
in continuation of this office footnote
R.C. 1570 P/5 to 98. The difference between
the cases of the telegraph subordinates
and of the engine driver, mail sorters, etc.
is that while the former travel in 3rd
class carriages along with other passengers
booked from places like Sharwar, where
plague is very prevalent, the latter scarcely
come into contact with the passengers at all.

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