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G.O., No. 837 P., 17th August 1898.

AUGUST.

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[COUNTERFOIL.]

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Name

Father's name

Street / Village

Town / ~~Thana~~ / Taluk

District

Date

Initials of operator.

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No.

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Space for left thumb-mark.

Signature and designation.

Dated

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For orders
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Must now get forms printed.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Current No. 1222 P. of 1898, dated 4-8-98 from the Govt of India.

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in file 837 P.

SUBJECT.

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FOR ORDERS.

Hon.
Hon. Mr. Arundel.

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"forth in the Resolution of 3 Feb 1898.
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Pages 71 – 80 of the Madras Plague Regulations & Rules –

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2. This Government has accordingly taken no action beyond telegraphing[x] to the Govt of India on the 20-7-98 that it accepts Dr Harvey's view that inoculated persons should be exempted from [illegible] detention. No reply has yet come to this telegram, but in the communication read above, the Govt of India sends for information a copy of its order passed on a reference from Bengal. This order is – "A certificate that a person has been inoculated by Mr Haffkine's process should exempt the holder from detention, except for such period as may be required to disinfect his baggage and clothes, if these are considered suspicious.

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~~Note This certificate must~~

Does note need revision owing to India's Regn. recd. today
[illegible]
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Yes
[illegible]
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detention

The note may be revised as follows

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It is presumed by 'observation' the Govt of India mean "detention" if so, the latter term may be substituted for the former. If India means only inspection, then an identical

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26/6/98

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From The Govt of India

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MEDICAL.

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