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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

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G.O., No. 931 P

DATED 29-8 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Plague in Irwalleam

Directing, with remarks, the
Collection of N. Meot that the Sanitary
preventive measures should not be
relaxed until all danger of infection
is over.

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Current No. 1418 P of 189 , dated 23-2-98 , from Coll. of N. H. H.
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To Public Dept for info of C.:

ORDER.

Received with the remark
that in his inspection note relating
to ~~Tinsallan~~ Jangalappalli, the Sanitary
Commr has expressed the opinion that
the illness of Kallappa Nair's widow
is "a mild case of plague". As all
the other members of the family are
reported to have died of plague, the
sanitary preventive measures should
not be relaxed until all danger
of infection is over.

2. Para 6 of the Coll's report
is communicated to the Surgeon General
for such action as he may think
necessary.

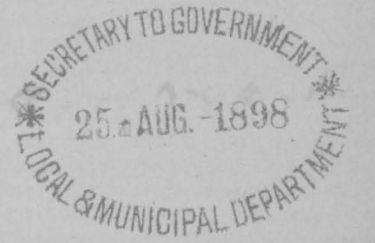
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To The Coll. of N. H. H. PLO
" Sanitary Commr
" Surgeon General this the
Dept

Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1418P



*Return today
with all
reports
25/8/98*

From

*The collector
of North arcot.*

Order

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Dated 23rd Aug. 1898.

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SUBJECT.

*Submitting a detail
report on the suspected
plague case at
Jangalapalle.*

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NORTH ARCOT, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Chittur, dated 23rd August 1898.

Repon cur No. 1495 of 1898.

From

J. R. Bakken Esquire
Collector & District Magistrate,
North Arcot.

To

The Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal Department
Fort St George

Sir,

In continuation of my reports
No. 1495, dated 18th August and
Repon current Eng
No. 1495, dated 21st August, I
have the honor to submit a further
report in greater detail.

2. I met the Sanitary Commissioner
at Akonam on the evening of the 18th
on his way to Jalarpet. He returned
on the 19th, but owing to having mis-
taken the route did not arrive at
Sivavallam until late on the night
of the 19th. I accompanied him to
Jangalapatti on the early morning
of the 20th. He fully approved of
all the steps that had been taken
but in addition recommended the
burning

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burning of the thatch of Kullappa Raik's house and the destruction of the grain and other food in the house, with the exception of that contained in such of the corn bins as have not recently been opened. Compensation will of course be given. His recommendations have been carried out. He saw the places where the deceased had been buried, which were in a water course which unfortunately owing to heavy rain became flooded with water on the night of the 18th. But nothing could be done as regards these graves; luckily the water flowed towards paddy fields and not to any village.

3. Further enquiries from the guthah man and others show that Kullappa Raik and party at once got into the guthah at Katpadi Railway station. One child died in the guthah near Bramalipuram

on the road from Katpadi to Siruwallam but the guthah did not stop there. The guthah was stopped apparently about 8 or 9 A.M. on the road outside Siruwallam. Leaving his family with the guthah Kullappa Raik went and fetched a relation named Narayanan, and then with the help of him, of his own family, and a woman named Kulli, buried the child. Two girls also witnessed the burial from a short distance. The child was buried on the banks of a dry water course outside the village. The grave was shallow and the corpse was dug up and consumed by wild animals. The grave site has been flooded with disinfectant. Narayanan and the other three persons who saw Kullappa Raik are under medical observation. Kullappa Raik does not appear to have gone into Narayanan's house

but to be on the safe side the house has been thoroughly disinfected. The gutkah has also been thoroughly disinfected and the mats and the mat roofing destroyed. The gutkah man has been ordered to be kept under observation. The gutkah man denies having driven the party from Siruvallam on to Jangalapalli, but there is no doubt that he really did so. I may mention that Siruvallam is nearly two miles from the Railway station.

4. The Sanitary Commissioner was satisfied that the deceased all died of real plague. But, for various reasons (one of the chief being the absence of a furred tongue), he was from his experience of plague cases able to say that the surviving woman had not contracted plague, though the Civil Surgeon had been perfectly right in treating her as for plague.

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His note says "the case which I am of opinion is a case of plague"

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She probably has been suffering from milk fever. The fact that this woman who was nursing the deceased at Jangalapalli escaped the infection warrants a strong hope that the infection will not spread. None of the others under observation have shown any signs of fever, and I am glad to say that the District Medical and Sanitary officer reports that yesterday morning the woman's temperature was normal. Those under segregation will be so kept for another 10 days.

5. I consulted the Sanitary Commissioner at Jangalapalli on the subject of rats, but as the infection in this case had certainly not been carried by them, he recommended no special steps. But on the receipt of the telegram from Government on the subject I have taken steps to have the measures

for

for the destruction of rats ordered
in the telegram to be carried out.

6- Owing to the remissness of
the Assistant Surgeon, Vellore,
the District Medical and Sanitary
officer heard nothing of the outbreak
until the evening of the 19th, when
he was at Puzanur. He started at
once, met me at Chittur on the
morning of the 21st and reached
Siruvallam the same evening, where
for the time being he has relieved
the Chittur Civil Surgeon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient servant
M. Lakshmi

By Collector
Lr.

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