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GENERAL DEPARTMENT (PLAGUE).

Bombay Castle, 10th January 1899.

No. 145-p.—The following Summary of Plague Operations during the week ending the 30th December 1898 is published for information:—

The following Districts and Native States continued free from plague during the week:—

Districts.	Native States.
Ahmedabad. Ratanagiri.	Palanpur. Mahi Kantha. Sachin. Dharampur. Akalkot. Savantvadi. Janjira.

Kaira District.

During the week ending the 30th December 1898 the number of indigenous cases and deaths further decreased to 59 and 41 from 74 and 65, respectively, in the previous week.

In the Anand Taluka 3 cases occurred at Umreth during the week among persons who had gone to their houses after the evacuation. Two new villages were infected during the week. These were evacuated and the houses in them doted and disinfected.

In the Thasra Taluka one village was newly infected during the week. Here also the houses were doted and disinfected, the villagers having camped outside the village.

Miss E. H. Hodger, M.D., of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, is undertaking inoculation work at Umreth. During the week 103 persons were inoculated, bringing the total of inoculations to 465.

Panch Mahals.

Out of the 43 cases and 27 deaths reported during the week ending the 30th December 1898, Godhra Town reported 28 cases and 19 deaths against 18 and 10, respectively, in the previous week. In the Halol Taluka one village was newly infected. In the Kalol Taluka there were 4 cases and 4 deaths against 11 and 11, respectively, in the previous week. In the Godhra Town, plague was chiefly prevalent among the Ghanchis.

Broach District.

Twenty-two cases and 19 deaths were reported from the town of Broach during the week ending the 30th December 1898 against 6 cases of the

previous week. Of the 22 cases, 15 occurred among the Hindus and 7 among the Mahomedans. The infection was mainly confined to Ward D, which alone returned 56 deaths out of the 92 deaths recorded during the week; the remaining Wards A, B and C and the plague hospitals returning 13, 11, 7 and 5 deaths respectively. Two plague cases occurred in Ward A and 3 in Ward B. Of the 2 cases in Ward A, 1 was a Gola and the other a Mahomedan, both labourers working in the godowns near Barkatwad: one of the 3 worst infected localities of Ward D. Of the 3 cases in Ward B, 1 was a Bhoi, another a Bania and the third a Mahomedan. The Bhoi and the Mahomedan seem to have caught the infection in the godowns at the Furja in Ward D and the Bania had his own shop there. Evacuation of the infected localities was being carried out.

In the Broach Taluka, Ali was newly infected. The village is situated just outside the Broach municipal limits. The seizure was a Kachhia who lived within the municipal limits of Broach, and had removed to Ali from his house in one of the infected localities.

In the Ankleshvar Taluka there were 2 cases at Mandva Buzrag.

Seventy-nine persons were inoculated during the week in the town of Broach.

Surat District.

There was 1 imported case of plague in Surat City during the week ending the 30th December 1898. The man attacked is reported to have come from Degaon, near Alipor, a formerly infected village of the Chikhli Taluka. The village was partially vacated early in November last owing to the discovery of dead rats, and the District Deputy Collector has been asked to carefully inspect it. The mortality from all cases in Surat City was 96 during the week against 93 of the previous week. Out of these 96 deaths, 41 were of children under 10 years of age and 28 of persons over 60 years of age. In the district, Abhva in the Chorasi Taluka reported 1 indigenous case during the week.

Thana District.

During the week ending the 30th December 1898 there was an increase in the number of cases and deaths over the last week: 82 indigenous cases and 51 deaths being reported against 44 cases and 39 deaths, besides the two imported in Nanale of two Koli women who caught infection at Trombay and died in their sheds at Nanale. Kurla showed slight improvement during the week. Kalwa was newly infected. Two girls of the Koli caste, residing in a hamlet of Kalwe, were attacked with plague on the 27th December. The other inmates of the house were at once removed into sheds outside the village, and most of the villagers left their houses for the fields. Nargel was another village newly infected during the week.

Khanlesh District.

Thirty-five cases and 27 deaths were reported from Wakad in the Jamner Taluka during the week ending the 30th December 1898. A report from the District Deputy Collector, who was deputed there, is awaited.

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all of which occurred in the Khatri and Kharwa quarters, the worst in the town. The Political Agent finds it difficult to understand the cause of these cases cropping up. Evacuation of the quarter was in progress. The remaining 5 cases occurred among Bannias at Undote, a newly infected village about 8 miles from Bada. The latter had no case for 17 days, but the Political Agent suspected laxity and was proceeding to investigate on the spot.

Káthiáwár.

Mota Mandha, Parodia and Goinj reported 4 cases and 4 deaths, 2 cases and 1 death and 14 cases and 8 deaths, respectively, during the week ending the 30th December 1898. Only 1 death was reported in the previous week. The Political Agent has furnished no particulars as to how these villages became infected.

Rewa Kántha.

Only 2 cases and 1 death were reported from Chhota Udepur during the week ending the 30th December 1898 against 9 cases and 5 deaths, respectively, in the previous week.

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

A. WINGATE,

Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

Bhor.

Nere was the only village which reported 5 cases and 4 deaths during the week ending the 30th December 1898.

Aundh.

During the week ending the 30th December 1898, the number of attacks further decreased from 51 to 46 and of deaths from 50 to 33. The number of infected villages was four. In Kundal and Kinkai the state of things remained the same as in the last week, each reporting 21 cases and 15 deaths and 23 cases and 18 deaths against 21 and 23, and 19 and 15, respectively, in the previous week. That so many cases should continue appears to indicate imperfect evacuation.

Kolhápúr and Southern Marátha Country States.

Attacks and deaths further decreased to 320 and 257 during the week ending the 30th December 1898, against 384 and 280, respectively, in the previous week. Three villages were newly infected, bringing the total of infected villages to 34 against 40 in the previous week.

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GENERAL DEPARTMENT (PLAGUE):

Bombay Castle, 16 January 1899.

FROM

THE ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT;

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF

Madras.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of *Madras*, the accompanying Summary of Plague Operations in the Bombay Presidency up to the week ending 30th December 1898.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Am. A. A. A.

For Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

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