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Local & Munl. (1899) Department.
Plague.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 1452

DATED 5-10-88
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[Despatch Abstract.]

Memo of the 26th M. I. from Belgium

Requesting the Lt. Gt. Commanding the
Forces to postpone the ~~to~~ to Uigraim-
-saram, as plague is raging in Belgium.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

[L. & M.]

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Against G.O., No.

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SUBJECT.

Move of 26th M.I.
from Belgium to
Vizianagram

Spencer

FOR ORDERS.

No 1452 Prio 95-10-99

The Government understands that the move to Vizianagram of the 26th Madras Infantry now at Belgium has been arranged for by the Military Authorities and that the regiment is to proceed in two detachments during this and the next month. Plague is still raging in Belgium, as many as 35 plague attacks and 28 deaths being reported in the City and 4 cases and 3 deaths in the Cantonment having occurred during the week ending 20th September 1899.

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Note

The figures for the latest return from Bombay will be filled in here -
The figures for the week ending 22nd Sept. are now filled in.

Note

The Staff will be prepared in Madras, as records are not here -

The appended statement will show the state of

plague in Belgium during the past few months. The move of the regiment from Belgium under these circumstances would afford ^{great} many facilities for the conveyance of infection to the East Coast which has as yet ^{remained} quite free from plague. H.E. the Genl. therefore considers that the move which involves such a serious risk should, if possible, be ~~postponed~~ ^{put off} until Belgium is reported ^{free} from plague, and accordingly requests that the Lt. Genl. Commanding the Forces will, if possible, postpone the transfer.

(From Orders)

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note Submitted that figures for June, July, & Aug. 1902 be enough -

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Statement showing the progress of plague in Belgium City & Cantonment
Seizures & deaths from the 1st July to 22nd Sept. 1902 is now prepared & submitted.

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Statement showing the progress of plague in Belgium City & Cantonment

Period.	Belgium City		Belgium Cantonment including Indian Infantry lines	
	Attacks	Deaths	Attacks	Deaths
During the week ending 7th July	87	61	45	34
14th do	161	112	76	49
21st do	136	97	44	33
28th do	277	195	43	33
4th Aug. 29	162	182	27	18
11th do	169	217	35	18
18th do	151	155	11	11
25th do	125	120	3	2
1st Sept. 29	139	108	4	1
8th do	122	123	5	1
15th do	61	54	3	3
22nd do	35	28	4	3

O.C.P.

To, The D.A. Genl. C.

Coll. of Viragapah

(P.O.)

M.S. 5/10/29

C. no 2886 P. From the Collector of Vizagapatam

His Excellency to Govt.

Subject

Move of the 26th Regiment,
Madras Infantry, from Bel-
gaum to Vizianagram in
two detachments in Oct.-Nov.
and Nov.-Decr 1899.

Para 1, 2 & 4. For orders as to whether
the move of the detachments
should be protested against.
To begin with, the Collector
appears to be mistaken in
supposing that the de-
tachments would pass via
Bombay. From page 6
of the memorandum re-
lating to the movement
of troops, it will be seen
that both the detachments
will proceed from Belgaum

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Belgaum
City
C. no 2886 P. From the Collector of Vizagapatam

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to Vingorla by route march, thence by sea to Simlipatam and thence by route march to Vizianagram. Vingorla, a seaport on the west coast, is situated in the Ratnagiri District, about 60 miles to the west of Belgannam and about 300 miles to the south of Bombay.

2. The present state of plague in Belgannam is as shown below—

Indigenous Plague			
Week ending 1-9-99		Week ending 25-8-99	
Cases - Deaths		Cases - Deaths	
Belgannam City	138 - 108	125 - 121	
" Cantonment	4 - 1	2 - 2	

There is plague in other parts of the Belgannam taluk as well as in other talukas of the Belgannam Dt. As to the existence or otherwise of plague either at Vingorla or any of the places on the route thereto, no information is available. The

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latest summary of plague operations in the Bombay Presidency to hand, which relates to the week ending 1st instant, shows that the Ratnagiri Dt. returned 15 indigenous plague cases & 14 deaths during that week as against 20 cases and 14 deaths in the weeks preceding. Details as to the places where these cases occurred are not reported.

3. With reference to the first part of his paragraph 3 the Collector may be referred to No. 15 of the Regulations for the inspection of inward bound vessels (page 50 of the Plague Regulations & Rules). Clauses (3) & (4) of that Regulation authorize the Port Health Officer to keep under observation

(Please see p. 47 of the pamphlet for the definition of this term) on board the vessel, if it be found impossible to do so on shore, all persons ~~on~~ on board the vessel, for such term not exceeding ten days from the date of last case of plague, as the Port Health Officer might prescribe. If the vessel is certified as "suspected" or "healthy" the persons on board the vessel will be kept under surveillance or observation as laid down in Clause (5) of the Regulation and G.O. no. 719 Marine, dated 1. 8. 28. As regards the application of the ordinary methods of disinfection of person and baggage, the Collr. has the necessary powers

which may be certified as "infected"

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under Original Mufassal Regulation 17-V (page 16 of the pamphlet).

28/9/28

It certainly seems a great

pity to run the risk - boxes of clothes etc may carry infection which will escape disinfection - Submitted that to S. General he told that the G.O. thinks the move of this troop to the East Coast as to prevent some dangers & that if possible to move it he proposed.

M. S. S. S.

I quite agree that we ought not to run the risk unless it is absolutely necessary. The Lieut. Genl. Coming. should I think be addressed, the state of Belgium be represented, and he should be requested to postpone the transfer of the 26th N.I. if it be possible, until Belgium is reported free from plague.

Let H.C. see.

MA 29.9.99.

7 July 1900

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[L. & M. Deps.
530-29-3-40.]

NOTE FOR THE

Regimental

Why transfer to Marine?
Surely this is "plague" to
rememorate - if this decided
to do so.

What is present state of
plague at Belgam?

They will be out more than 10 days
from Bombay by sea.

If plague does occur, it
should be difficult to isolate
cases a present its spreading
but certainly should be just
as well to avoid the transfer
if it can be avoided.

But we must, I think, to
represent the matter with
Marine.

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Please see Note for entries
put up below

Al & Munl. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 2888

From
Shri Collector Vizagapatnam

Encl
Order

Transferred to the Marine
Department

D. Dis No. 522

Not recommended
Secy to Government

25/9/99

Dated 21st September 1899.

Received 25 SEP 1899

Registered 25-9-99

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Informing that the 26th Regiment Madras Infantry is
to arrive at Vizagapatnam by sea from Belgam via Bombay
in two detachments in November & December next, and enquiring
whether the arrangements of the Military authorities cannot be
reconsidered in view of the possibility of the introduction of
plague into the District by the Sepoys or their families
following from Belgam and infected area.

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BACK PAPERS.

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Re. O. No. 5209
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C. No. 886 P

VIZAGAPATAM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Dated 21st September 1899.

FROM

W. O. HORNE, Esq.,

Collector,

Vizagapatam Dist.ict.

TO

M. Hannisch Esquire

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local & Municipal DEPARTMENT,

Madras.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that, according to the Programme of Military Relief for the current year, the 26th Regiment, Madras Infantry, is to arrive at Brimlipatam by sea from Belgium via Bombay in two detachments in November and December next.

2. I presume this arrangement has been made by the military authorities and I am not aware how far the Government may have approved it. I venture however to point out that both Belgium and Bombay are infected with plague and that the chances of the Regiment conveying that disease among the Sepoys or the

their families and followers appear to me to be very great. I would ask whether it is not possible to reconsider the arrangement.

3. In the event of its being decided to adhere to the present programme I request orders whether, if the Steamer is less than 10 days out from Bombay, or if she has plague on board, the troops are to be permitted to land or whether only the ordinary methods of disinfection of person and baggage are to be applied. Should there be plague on board, or should it develop after landing, I do not believe that any measures of isolation, applied to such a large body of men, can avail to prevent the dissemination of the disease in this and probably the adjoining districts.

4. It seems a pity to run the risk of infecting a part of the Country which has hitherto enjoyed immunity and of the risk cannot otherwise be avoided.

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I hope I may be excused for saying that, for a time at least, Vizianagram could get on very well without any Regiment at all.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Most obedient Servant

Provincial

For Messrs

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM.

Addressed to General Officers
Commanding Districts.

B
No. D-12391.
Distribution of Army.
Movements of Troops.

DEPUTY ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Madras Command,
Ootacamund, 29th August 1899.

With reference to Madras Command Orders Nos. 312, 339, 398 and 462 of 1899, the following arrangements are ordered for carrying out the relief of British and Native Troops of the Madras Command in 1899-1900. Arrangements regarding the reliefs of the Madras Sapper Companies and the 12th, 29th, 31st, 32nd and 33rd Madras Infantry will be notified hereafter.

Corps, &c.	From	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS.
Royal Field Art'y.						
13th Battery	Natal	Secunderabad	By rail from Bombay	...	Will be intimated hereafter.	See remarks opposite 21st Battery.
21st do.	Secunderabad	England	By rail to Bombay	do.	...	Leaving guns, horses, equipment, and native establishments at Secunderabad for the 13th Battery. The 21st Battery has been allotted to the last transport leaving Bombay for England this season, pending receipt of further orders from War Office.
31st do.	Hyderabad (Sind)	St. Thomas' Mount.	By rail to Karachi, thence by sea to Bombay, and thence by rail and route march (8 miles).	Karachi, 18th Oct. 1899	Bombay, 21st October 1899 Madras, 26th do.	Only the European personnel of these Batteries will be moved, the horses, guns, equipment and Native establishments remaining at present stations for transfer to the relieving Batteries.
33rd do.	St. Thomas' Mount.	Hyderabad (Sind).	By route march (8 miles) to Madras, thence by rail to Bombay, and thence by sea and rail.	Madras, 10th Oct. 1899	Karachi, 16th October 1899.	
45th do.	do.	Barrackpore	By route march (8 miles) to Madras, thence by sea to Calcutta, and thence by rail.	Bombay, 13th do. 2nd March 1900	Calcutta, 7th March 1900.	
48th do.	Barrackpore	St. Thomas' Mount.	By rail to Calcutta, thence by sea to Madras, and thence by route march (8 miles).	Calcutta, 12th March 1900	Madras, 17th March 1900.	

Corps, &c.	From	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS.
Royal Garrison Artillery.						
No. 37 Co., Southern Division.	Ceylon	Rangoon	By sea	...	Will be intimated hereafter.	No. 3 Company, Eastern Division will embark at Bombay for Aden on the 11th November 1899.
No. 3 Co., Eastern Division.	Rangoon	Aden	By sea	20th October 1899	Bombay, 31st October 1899.	
Native Cavalry.						
1st Madras Lancers	Bellary	Secunderabad.	Will be intimated hereafter	...	Will be intimated hereafter.	
2nd do.	Bangalore	Bellary		...	...	...
3rd do.	Secunderabad.	Bangalore		...	...	...
British Infantry.						
1st Battalion East Yorkshire Regiment.	Belgaum	Thayetmyo and Meiktila.	By route march to Vingorla (Bombay Routes 72 (1) and 80 (1)), thence by sea to Rangoon, and thence as follows:— Head Quarter Wing by rail and river to Thayetmyo. Wing by rail to Meiktila.	{ Belgaum, 21st November 1899. Vingorla, 29th November 1899. Rangoon, about 9th Dec. 1899.	{ Vingorla, 28th Nov. 1899. Rangoon, 8th December 1899. Thayetmyo, about 10th Dec. 1899. Meiktila do.	{ An advance party consisting of 2 officers and 100 men will proceed by rail to Bombay and embark there on the 4th November 1899 for Burma, arriving at Thayetmyo on the 22nd idem.

N.B.—Arrangements as to Native establishments to accompany Corps, &c., to Burma, and the disposal of those of Corps, &c., leaving Burma will, under Madras Standing General Orders No. 31, dated 2nd September 1892, be made by the General Officer Commanding Burma District after that officer has been communicated with by General Officers Commanding Districts in India, &c., concerned. General Officers Commanding all Districts concerned will inform the Military Accounts Department, Madras, direct of the arrangements decided on.

1st Battalion Leicestershire Regiment.	Natal	Wellington, &c.	Head Quarters and 7 Companies will move as follows from Calicut:— Head Quarters and 4½ Companies by rail to Coonoor, and thence by route march to Wellington. 1½ Company by rail to Tirur, and thence by route march to Malapuram. 1 Company by sea to Cannanore.	Will be intimated hereafter.	Will be intimated hereafter.	To take over Native establishments left behind by the 1st Middlesex Regiment. (See remarks opposite that Regiment).
2nd Battalion West Riding Regiment.	Bangalore	Rangoon and Port Blair.	By rail to Calicut, and thence by sea.	Bangalore ... Calicut	Calicut, 11th Sept. 1899. do. 9th Oct. 1899. Port Blair, 17th September 1899. Rangoon, 20th do. do. 17th Oct. 1899.	Drop one Company, and pick up one Company 1st West Kent Regiment at Port Blair.
2nd Battalion South Staffordshire Regt.	Thayetmyo and Meiktila.	Subathu	Head Quarter Wing from Thayetmyo by river and rail, and Wing from Meiktila by rail, to Rangoon, thence by sea to Calcutta, and thence by rail and route march.	Thayetmyo, 11th Dec. 1899. Meiktila, 11th do. Rangoon, 13th do.	Rangoon, 12th Dec. 1899. Calcutta, 18th do.	A detachment, consisting of 2 officers and 150 men will leave Meiktila, 28th December 1899, and embark at Rangoon for Calcutta on the 30th idem.
1st Battalion Royal Highlanders.	Sitapur Benares.	Shwebo and Bhamo.	By route march and rail to Calcutta, thence by sea to Rangoon, and thence as follows:— Head Quarters and 6 Companies by rail to Shwebo. 2 Companies by rail to Mandalay, and thence by river to Bhamo.	Calcutta { First Wing, 27th Dec. 1899. Second Wing, about 14th Jan. 1900. Rangoon { First Wing, 27th Dec. 1899. Second Wing, about 14th Jan. 1900.	Rangoon, 26th Dec. 1899. Rangoon, 13th January 1900. 2 Cos. Shwebo, 29th December 1899. 2 Cos. Bhamo, 3rd January 1900. Shwebo, about 16th January 1900.	

N.B.—Arrangements as to Native establishments to accompany Corps, &c., proceeding from India, &c., to Burma, and the disposal of those of Corps, &c., leaving Burma will, under Madras Standing General Orders No. 51, dated 2nd September 1892, be made by the General Officer Commanding Burma District after that officer has been communicated with by General Officers Commanding Districts in India, &c., concerned. General Officers Commanding all Districts concerned will inform the Military Accounts Department, Madras, direct of the arrangements decided on.

Corps, &c.	From	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS.
1st Battalion Essex Regiment.	England	Bangalore	By rail from Bombay	Expected to arrive at Bombay on the 2nd February 1900. The Regiment will be despatched thence to Bangalore under the orders of the G. O. C. Bombay District.	7th February 1900	Halting 2 days at Poona. To take over Native establishments left behind by the 2nd West Ridings at Bangalore.
2nd Battalion Essex Regiment.	Shwebo and Bhamo.	England	Head Quarters and 6 Companies from Shwebo by rail and 2 Companies from Bhamo by river to Mandalay, and thence by rail to Rangoon; whole Regiment thence by sea.	(Bhamo, about 14th January 1900. Shwebo, 16th do. Rangoon, 19th do.	Rangoon, about 19th January 1900. do. 19th do. Bombay, 29th do.	{ A detachment consisting of 400 men will leave Shwebo, 15th November 1899, and embark at Rangoon for Calicut on the 18th idem <i>en route</i> for Bangalore. The Regiment embarks at Bombay for England on the 7th February 1900.
1st Battalion Royal West Kent Regt.	Rangoon and Port Blair.	Aden	By sea	24th September 1899	{ Calicut, 1st October 1899. Bombay, 4th do.	{ The Regiment will embark at Bombay on the 6th Oct. 1899.
1st Battalion Middlesex Regiment.	Wellington, &c.	Belgaum	Head Quarters and 4½ Companies by route march to Coonoor, thence by rail to Bangalore, and thence by route march <i>via</i> Tumkur, Hiri-yur, Harihar, Hubli and Dharwar. (Madras Routes 9 and 82 and Bombay Route 65).	{ Wellington, 17th and 18th October 1899. Bangalore, 21st October 1899.	Bangalore, 18th and 19th October 1899. Belgaum, 22nd November 1899.	Arrangements for handing over Native establishments to the 1st Battalion Leicester Regiment should be made under the orders of the G. O. C. Southern District and intimated by that officer <i>direct</i> to the Military Accounts Department, Madras.

N.E.—Arrangements as to Native establishments to accompany Corps, &c., proceeding from India, &c., to Burma, and the disposal of those of Corps, &c., leaving Burma will, under Madras Standing General Orders No. 51, dated 2nd September 1892, be made by the General Officer Commanding Burma District after that officer has been communicated with by General Officers Commanding Districts in India, &c., concerned. General Officers Commanding all Districts concerned will inform the Military Accounts Department, Madras, direct of the arrangements decided on.

Native Infantry.

2nd Madras Infantry	Vizianagram	Barrackpore	By route march (16 miles) to Bimlipatanam, (Routes 269 and 137 (23)), thence by sea to Calcutta, and thence by route march.	{ First Wing, 6th November 1899. Second do. 16th December 1899.	Calcutta, 10th November 1899. Calcutta, 21st December 1899.	{ Embark at Bimlipatanam on the 8th November and 19th December 1899, respectively.
5th do.	Nowgong	Jubbulpore	By route march under arrangements which will be made under the orders of the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Bengal.	27th February 1900	19th March 1900	
8th do.	Barrackpore	Rangoon and Port Blair.	By rail to Calcutta, and thence by sea.	Calcutta, 14th November 1899.	{ Port Blair, (3 Companies, 20th November 1899. Rangoon (Head Quarters and 5 Companies), 23rd November 1899.	
9th do.	Bellary	Secunderabad	Will be intimated hereafter	Will be intimated hereafter.	Will be intimated hereafter.	Will be intimated hereafter.
11th do.	Secunderabad	Bellary				

Corps, &c.	From	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS
13th Madras Infantry.	Raipur and Sambalpur.	St. Thomas' Mount.	By route march <i>via</i> Sohela, Sambalpur, Raipur and Kantalu. (Routes 213 and 69) to Cuttack, thence by river to False Point, thence by sea to Madras, and thence by route march (8 miles).	{ Head Quarter Wing, Raipur, 10th January 1900. Whole Regiment, Sambalpur, 31st January 1900. Cuttack, 21st Feb. 1900 ... False Point, 22nd February 1900. Madras, 26th February 1900.	Sambalpur, 29th Jan. 1900. Cuttack, 17th February 1900. False Point, 22nd February 1900. Madras, 26th February 1900.	
14th do.	St. Thomas' Mount.	Raipur and Sambalpur.	By route march (3 miles) to Madras, thence by sea to False Point, thence by river to Cuttack, and thence by route march <i>via</i> Kantalu, Raipur, Sambalpur and Sohela. (Routes 69 and 213).	{ 4th January 1900 False Point, 8th Jan. 1900. Cuttack, 12th do. Head Quarter Wing, Sambalpur, 31st do. { 27th November 1899 Vingorla, 8th Dec. 1899 ...	False Point, 8th Jan. 1900 Cuttack, 9th do. Sambalpur, 29th do. Raipur, 17th Feb. 1900 Vingorla, 7th December 1899. Belgaum, 15th Dec. 1899.	
15th do.	Rangoon	Belgaum	By sea to Vingorla, and thence by route march. (Bombay routes 80 (1) and 72 (1)).			
25th do.	Cannanore	Bangalore	By route march <i>via</i> Periyambadi ghat, Hunsur, Yelwall and Seringapatam. (Routes 240 and 12).	4th December 1899	26th December 1899.	
26th do.	Belgaum	Vizianagram	By route march. (Bombay Routes 72 (1) and 80 (1)) to Vingorla, thence by sea to Bimlipatam, and thence by route march, (Routes 137 (23) and 269), 16 miles.	{ First Wing, 19th Oct. 1899 Second do. 29th Nov. 1899 Vingorla, 26th October 1899. Vingorla, 6th Dec. 1899 Bimlipatam, 7th November 1899. Vizianagram, 8th November 1899. Bimlipatam, 18th December 1899. Vizianagram, 19th December 1899.		

Periodical Detachment Reliefs.

Corps.	From	To	REMARKS.
Native Cavalry.			
{ 1 Squadron 2nd Madras Lancers	Bangalore	Madras	By route march (Route 130) or rail. Dates will be intimated hereafter.
	Madras	Bellary	By route march (Routes 131, 15 and 17), or rail. Dates will be intimated hereafter.
Native Infantry.			
3 Companies 7th Madras Infantry	Port Blair	Rangoon	By R.I.M. Steamer "Canning" on 21st November 1899.
14 Companies 19th Madras Infantry	Quilon	Trichur	By backwater.
	Trichur	Quilon	do.
	Quilon	Trevandrum	do.
	Trevandrum	Quilon	do.
{ 1 Company 19th Madras Infantry			By rail to Coonoor, and thence by route march.
	* Madras, Bangalore or Trichinopoly.	Ootacamund	By route march to Coonoor, and thence by rail.
{ 1 Company Native Infantry			By route march.
	Bangalore	Oosoor	do.
	Oosoor	Bangalore	do.

* The detachment required to arrive at Ootacamund on the 1st September 1899 will be furnished by the 25th Madras Infantry from Cannanore.

N.B.—Dates of movement (where such are not otherwise provided for) in connection with detachment Reliefs should be fixed under the orders of General Officers Commanding Districts concerned and intimated to this office as soon as fixed.

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NOTES.

- I.—Attention is requested to the orders for the movement of troops by sea, rail and land, Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, (Passages), Parts I and II.
- II.—Troops proceeding by water will furnish the Deputy Adjutant General at Head Quarters and District Staff Officers concerned with Effective States for embarkation as laid down in Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part I; and those requiring Railway conveyance will furnish District Staff Officers concerned with Returns as ordered in Part II of the same Regulations.
- III.—The dates fixed for movement will be adhered to: those named for arrival are approximate, but should be followed as far as possible.
- IV.—Where it can possibly be arranged, the original movement of Corps, &c., or Details from stations, and their arrival at stations of destination should be fixed so as to avoid either departures or arrivals on Sundays. For purposes of this note, the ports of Madras and Rangoon should be viewed both as stations of destination as well as starting stations en route to and from Burma.
- V.—With reference to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 74, as reconstructed by G.O. No. 49 of 1897, Officers Commanding Corps, &c., marching will furnish this office every Monday with Progress Reports. Halts will be made on Xmas and New Year days as well as Sundays unless circumstances prevent. Attention is also directed to this Office No. B/I 3839, dated 12th June 1896.
- VI.—Particular attention is requested to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 179 (Clause XI), regarding indents for supplies and intimation of movements to the Civil Authorities. Care should be taken that the supplies indented for are according to actual requirements and are not excessive. Officers Commanding British troops marching in relief should, at least one month before departure, give full particulars of supplies required to the Chief Commissariat Officer of the District from which the troops move.
- VII.—When Native troops are to travel by Railway, despatching officers should ascertain from the Railway authorities and furnish Officers Commanding Corps, &c., concerned with timely information as to the halts to be made *en route* (in addition to those at ordinary Rest Camps) in order that they make suitable arrangements for the requisite supplies.
- VIII.—General Officers Commanding Districts are requested to communicate with Civil Officers concerned in view to the wells being cleaned out, and water supply generally looked to, at all the encamping grounds in their respective commands at which the troops may have to halt *en route*. Attention is invited to para. 3 of letter No. 2744-B, dated 19th July 1899, from the Quarter Master General in India, regarding water required by troops on the line of march being boiled, &c. *Vide* Deputy Adjutant General's Circular No. B/C-12652, dated 22nd August 1899. Charges for cleaning encamping grounds should be adjusted by the Civil Authorities concerned (*vide* Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, paras. 13 and 14).
- IX.—The special attention of Officers Commanding Corps on the line of march is directed to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 31. All camp followers accompanying Corps should march under responsible surveillance.

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X.—The sick and families of British troops and the heavy stores of all corps marching will, as far as practicable, be sent by rail.

XI.—* If a station or district from which troops are about to move in relief should be at the time infected by plague, or, if their routes lie through infected districts, the following precautions should be taken in communication with the Civil Authorities to prevent the spread of the disease:—

* Deputy Adjutant General, Madras Command, Circulars Nos. B/A-18021, dated 12th November 1897, B/D-15904, dated 4th October 1898, and B/D-12129, dated 10th August 1899.

- (a) If a Corps, &c., or its followers are infected, assuming that cases of plague have been segregated, the Corps, &c., should remain in segregation for ten days after the occurrence of the last case before moving in relief.
- (b) If a Corps, &c., moves from an infected station or district, the followers should be kept in segregation for ten days previous to departure.
- (c) If a Corps, &c., under orders to proceed by route march, moves from an infected station, or, if its route lies through an infected district, the circumstance should be at once brought to the notice of, and alternative Routes suggested to Command Head Quarters in view to the desirability of moving it by rail being submitted to Army Head Quarters for consideration and orders. With regard to troops about to move by rail being medically inspected before departure, *vide* Madras Command Order No. 264, dated 5th May 1899.
- (d) In cases where a Corps, &c., referred to in clause (c) has already commenced its movement by route march and an outbreak of plague on the route renders railing necessary, this should be carried out in communication with, and under the orders of the General Officer Commanding the District in which the Corps, &c., is at the time *en route*, and a report made subsequently to Command Head Quarters for communication to Army Head Quarters.

XII.—When parties are sent in advance of the Head Quarters of their Regiments or Batteries to take over buildings, &c., &c., of the Corps, &c., to be relieved, families should not accompany them.

XIII.—With reference to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 138, Native troops under orders to move with families by route march may, if they wish it, send their families by rail or sea at their own expense claiming difference of cart-hire for the distance marched by the troops. Family guards, however, should travel at expense of Regimental funds by rail or sea. In cases where provision has been made in the Programme for the conveyance of families by sea, there is no objection, if they wish it, to their proceeding by other modes of movement at their own expense, but they will not be allowed difference of cart hire.

XIV.—Due intimation should also be given to the Civil Authorities concerned when families of Native troops are about to be despatched, and all necessary precautions taken to avoid the possibility of risk from cholera or other epidemic disease that may be prevalent *en route*.

XV.—The full complement of private followers admissible under Regulation should not be taken unless that number be absolutely necessary for the efficiency of Corps, &c., and with regard to the due convenience of officers and men. *Vide* Quarter Master General's Circular No. 2728-A, dated 24th December 1892.

XVI.—All camp equipage, previous to being transferred to another Corps, should be surveyed in accordance with Army Regulations, India, Vol. III, para. 177.

XVII.—Light tents issued to Corps, &c., as station stores, are, on their departure, to be left behind. The attention of General Officers Commanding Districts is directed to Quarter Master General's (Madras) Circular No. 3135-B of 28th October 1889, regarding the additional lascars allowed for mobilization camp equipage being retained at mobilization stations.

XVIII.—The attention of General Officers concerned is requested to the orders communicated under Quarter Master General's (Madras) No. 3903-B of 23rd November 1888, and they are directed to arrange, in communication with each other, to ensure Government transport being utilized to its fullest extent in carrying out movements. They will also similarly arrange for relieving and relieved Batteries, Corps, &c., taking and handing over establishments, transport, &c., (as may be necessary in accordance with Regulations) at stations concerned, or exchanging such while on the march.

XIX.—Ambulance transport for British and Native troops marching should be provided under India Army Circulars of 1887, Clause 47, and Army Regulations, India, Vol. VI (Medical), Section XIX.

XX.—The attention of Officers Commanding Corps, &c., and Detachments moving in relief is called to para. 3 of Circular No. 6, dated 6th March 1895, and letter No. 567-C, dated 12th June 1897, from the Quarter Master General in India, requiring that information as to the strength of such Corps, &c., or Detachment should be furnished to the Officer in charge Quarter Master General's Office, Simla, by deferred telegram on the 1st of each month: also to this Office Circular No. 1875-A, dated 17th September 1895 and G.O.C.C. No. 236 of 1897 as to the Office of the Quarter Master General in India being furnished with departure and arrival reports.

XXI.—During the movement season, telegraphic reports should be made to the Quarter Master General in India, Simla, of the outbreak and progress of cholera at any railway rest camp, or in any cantonment in which a railway rest camp may be situated. (Madras Command Order, No. 397 of 1896).

XXII.—Attention is invited to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, paras. 71 to 76 as reconstructed by G.O. No. 49 of 1897.

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