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Local & Munl. (1899) Department.
Plague.

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G.O., No. 1746 P.

DATED 8-12-1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Telegraphic report of plague cases

Directing the Collector of Combarthure
to adhere to the form prescribed by the Plague
Commissioner for —.

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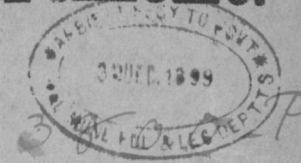
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From

The Collector of Coimbatore.

Order No 1746 P. this d/ 8-12-1899.

R. O. C. No 1576(c)-Pl '99

The Government Considers
that the form prescribed by the
Plague Comd should be adhered to.
The Telegraph Office sometimes
makes mistakes in transmitting
messages by using the singular
for the plural & vice versa, &
sometimes by using the word
"deter" by omitting
or repeating words, & and it is
necessary that the wording
of telegrams should be definite
& clear.

Dated 1st December., 99

Received 4 - 12 - 99

Registered 4 - 12 - 99.

Enclosures (nil)

Spare copies "

SUBJECT.

Telegraphic intimation of plague cases.

Reporting that the -----
attacks & deaths in this District
will be submitted in the form now
suggested in the report.

2/12/99

12-12-99

Should the Secy. see this?

To the Coll. of Coimbatore

Despatched 9-12-99

The paper is treated as Routine
& is therefore sent to the Secy.
If the point is doubtful the paper
may now go to Secy
yes is the

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Coimbatore

DISTRICT COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Dated 1st December., 1899.

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FROM

C. H. Mounsey., Esq., I. C. S.,

COLLECTOR OF THE

Coimbatore. District,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local & Municipal DEPARTMENT,

Madras.

Sir,

I have the honour to state that my office seems to be somewhat exercised by what they consider a departure from the instructions of the Plague Commissioner in his Proceedings No. 357 of 8-2-99 as to the method of telegraphing plague cases.

2. My telegram sent to you on the 29th Ultimoid "Twenty-seventh Kajjihundi indigenous suspicious attack. Chilukana puram aieet-- aitto Alalli indigenous attack one xola death twenty sixth Kajjihundi one ola death".

Now I think the same information is in as clear a form as is wanted, but it should have been I am told

"Kajjihundi indigenous one suspicious attack twenty seventh one old death twenty sixth. Alalli indigenous one attack one old death twenty seventh. Chilukanapuram indigenous one suspicious attack twenty seventh"

3. I used 18 woras against 24 in the other form, but even I used two words that were unnecessary. I can not see the use of putting in the word "one" to qualify 'death' or "attack" when these woras are used in the singular & after today I shall omit it unless instructed to the contrary.

4. It seems to me that instructions simply mean that a system should be adopted which should combine clearness with brevity. If officers are directed to begin with a gate &

it is known that all occurrences reported till another date be entered
belong to that date, if the word ditto be used where it will avoid re-
duplication of words, if the word one be omitted where by the use of
a word in the singular no ambiguity can be caused & if the previous
instructions be otherwise strictly followed I think no appreciable
economy can be effected.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Wm. M. M.
Acting Collector.

1-12-99

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