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PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Detention Certificates

Prescribing the form of the certificates given to holders of through tickets detained observation at the railway inspection stations; requesting the Supt, Govt. Press, to supply Collectors with books ~~of~~ containing the certificate forms

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C. No	1137 – 281/27/1/99		
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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

Code Class.

To (Office)

From (Office)

Words	Day.	Hour.	Minute.	Official Instructions.
	2	15	55	

To (Person) The Plague Commissioner

From (Person) Supdt of Govt Press

He does not mean detention certificate for in same incident he asks for 500 detention certificates as well as disinfection certificates

Papers 2/3

Submitted Recd 2/3/99 Pre 281/27/1/99 also put up

64 Word Form.

F. C 2.

Reply Please ask Collector of South Arcot what disinfection certificate he requires & to send a copy of it

2/3/99

[illegible] 2/3/99

(To be returned after despatch)

Rcvd. from I.N. At Hrs. Mts. by

Sent to I.N. At Hrs. Mts. by

Telegraph Master

G G P—No. 101 T—15 10 97—2000000

ceedings of the Plague Commissioner

—29-11-98.

OTE FOR THE S. C.

The detention certificate is given to those detained for disinfection among others & this is apparently what the Collr. of S. Arcot means by disinfection certificate. There is no other disinfection certificate.

Supdt. [illegible] Pr.

Lems
1/3/99

From the Plague Commr.

Telephone re Sark

Your message re Arcot's indent for disinfection certificates: none are in use. Please ask if he means detention certes. 2/3

(To be retd. after despatch)

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

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From (Office) Message

To (Office) Telephone

Words Day. 1 Hour. 16 Minute. 27 Official Instructions

From (Person) Supt Govt Press

To (Person) Plague Commissioner

Very urgent

With reference to my message of 27th ultimo Collector of South Arcot asks for a supply of 500 forms of Disinfection Certificate but no order has been given to print such certificates for issue please let me know what is to be done.

64 Word Form.

F. C. 2.

Reply was sent on 29th at 5-2 pm

1/3/99

Reply Your telephone message regarding disinfection certificates for South Arcot. The following reply was sent by me on the 27 ultimo (then repeat previous message). By disinfection certificate the Collector ~~appears~~ apparently means the detention certificate

Sent to IN At Hrs. Mts. by Telegraph Master

Recd. from At Hrs. Mts. by

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G C P—No. 102 T—15 10 97—2000000

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

To (Office) Telephonic			From (Office) Message	
Words.	Day. 27	Hour. 14	Minute. 53	Official Instructions.

P.C.
27 FEB 1899

To (Person) Plague Commissioner

From (Person) Supt Govt Press

The Collector of South Arcot asks for a supply of 500 forms of Disinfection Certificates but no order has been given to print such certificates for same. Please let me know what is to be done.

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27/2/99

Reply from Plague Commr to Supdt. Govt Press

Please supply detention Certificates to Collectors of Chingleput and S. Arcot in addition to the Collectors named in para 5 of my Procs No 17 dt 5-1-99

Shd 27/2

Papers put up

Reply

Tel

27/2/99

27/2/99

F.C.

Your telephone message regarding supply of the forms [illegible]

(To be returned after despatch)

Pro 280 is put up 27.2.99 but it relates to certificates of disinfection. The Detention Certificates have been ordered to be printed & distributed to certain Collectors. As these Certificates are asked for in case of detention owing to disinfection the Collr uses "Disinfection"

64 Word Form.

F.C. 2.

Recd. from | I.N. | At | Hrs | Mts by

Sent to | I.N. | At | Hrs. | Mts by

Telegraph Master.

G.G.P.—No. 12 6T16797—3600000

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MADRAS—1899.

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Letter, No. $\frac{17}{3}$, 5th January 1899.

JANUARY.

Detention Certificates.

Prescribing the form of the certificates to be given to holders of through tickets detained for observation at the railway inspection stations; and requesting the Superintendent, Government Press, to supply certain Collectors with books containing the certificate forms.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

Read—the following papers :—

From the Manager, East Coast Railway, Waltair, dated 16th November 1898, No. 9020.

Abstract.—Requesting to be favoured with an authoritative procedure for adoption at all the railway inspection stations with regard to the issue of certificates to the holders of through tickets detained in the observation camps and subsequently continuing their journey.

From the Plague Commissioner, dated 19th November 1898, Ref. on C. No. 1442.

Abstract.—Forwarding to the Agents of the Southern Mahratta, Madras and South Indian Railways, for favour of opinion, the above letter from the Manager, East Coast Railway.

From the Agent, Southern Mahratta Railway Company, Dharwar, dated 26th November 1898, No. 7952/11601.

Abstract.—Stating that, if the certificate given at Hospet had added to it the number of the ticket held by the passenger and the ticket itself was endorsed by the Plague official and signed by him with his official designation, it would meet all the requirements.

From the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, Royapuram, dated 13th December 1898, No. 11427/13030.

Abstract.—Forwarding his opinion about passengers travelling after having been detained by Plague authorities with certain certificate and suggesting that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to all detention stations.

From the Agent, South Indian Railway, Trichinopoly, dated 13th December 1898, No. 1563—40—4089.

Abstract.—Informing that the plan proposed by the Traffic Superintendent, East Coast Railway, about passengers travelling after having been detained by Plague authorities with certain certificate, is suitable provided the station master is the endorsing authority and a rubber stamp with certain inscription is provided at inspection stations.

Letter, No. 17/3, dated 5th January 1899.

To

The MANAGER, EAST COAST RAILWAY.

Sir,

I have the honour to reply to your letter, No. 9020 of the 16th November, with which you forwarded a communication from your Traffic Superintendent, with the request that a uniform procedure may be adopted at all railway inspection stations with regard to the issue of certificates to the holders of through tickets who are detained in the observation camps and subsequently continue their journey.

Your Traffic Superintendent wrote :—

"Passengers are now arriving at stations on this railway after having been detained at plague camps for purposes of observation and in some cases the tickets held by them are backed by some one, position unknown. The plague observation camp at Hospet on the Southern Mahratta Railway has a printed form as follows :—

Plague Observation Camp, Hospet,
20th September 1898.

"No. 169%.

"Certified that Guranna, travelling from Belgaum to Kavti, has been detained under observation at Hospet from 10th September 1898 to 20th September 1898, and that prior to his departure his person has been washed and clothes and baggage disinfected."

(Signed)
M.B., Surgeon Captain, I.M.S.,
In charge of Plague Observation Camp, Hospet.

* * * *

"I have consulted the Examiner of Accounts and we are agreed that either of the two following procedures would suit. But I am in favour of the second as being more sure of accomplishment :—"

"(*a*) The person backing tickets should state on them the period from and to which their holders were detained and he should sign his name and designation to enable the Audit offices to pass the tickets without further reference" or

"(*b*) the ticket might be collected at the station of detention and sent into audit with other collected tickets and the passenger handed a paper ticket worded somewhat as follows :—

______ Station.
______ 189 .

Holder of class ticket No. from to dated No. train
(which has been collected by me) has been detained here from 189 to 189 in Plague
Observation Camp has been discharged and permitted to travel by No. train
to

______
Station Master."

2. Your letter was communicated to the Agents of the Southern Mahratta Railway and South Indian Railway and the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway with the request that they would express their opinions in the matter. Major Burn Murdoch considers the alternative proposal too elaborate and likely to lead to the misuse of the tickets withdrawn, and would adopt the Hospet certificate provided it has added to it the number of the ticket held by the passenger and the ticket itself is endorsed by the plague official "detained at from to " and signed by him with his official designation. The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, recommends the adoption of the first proposal and suggests that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to all detention stations, leaving only the dates and signature to be filled in in manuscript. The Agent, South Indian Railway, also prefers the first proposal, but considers that the stationmaster should be the endorsing authority; he proposes a small rubber-stamp, as below, for use at inspection stations, the letters P.A. standing for Plague authorities :—

Detained by P.A.
at................
on ....
______
Stationmaster
.... Station.

Resumed journey
on .... after
Plague Detention..
....
______
Stationmaster
........Station.

3. To one difficulty sufficient consideration does not seem to have been given. The ordinary tickets are so small that but little can be written on them when whole, while at the present time they are nicked and punched at so many stations as to leave still less room for writing the required information legibly. However, it is for you, rather than for me, to raise objections on this ground.

4. The object of the proposals is the facilitation of audit, and this, I consider, is a matter with regard to which the Railway companies should make their own arrangements. I agree with the Agent of the South Indian Railway that the officer giving the endorsement to enable a passenger to resume his journey after detention should be a servant of the railway. In order to furnish him with the necessary information, certificates in the form given below will be issued under the Plague officer's signature, which should be readily known to the local stationmaster. Major Burn Murdoch's proposed endorsement is the shortest and will probably be found the easiest to adopt. I trust that this arrangement will meet your requirements.

5. The Superintendent of the Government Press will be requested to print and supply to the Collectors of Kistna, Kurnool, Bellary, Anantapur, Salem, North Arcot and Coimbatore books of certificates in the form appended for use by the officers in charge of camps at railway inspection stations.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
M S Mascarenhas
12/1/99
For Plague Commissioner.

To the Manager of the East Coast Railway. ✓
Copy to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway. ✓
" " " South Indian Railway. ✓
" " " Southern Mahratta Railway. ✓
" to all Collectors (A, F, G, H). ✓
" to the Superintendent, Government Press. ✓

[Appendix.

APPENDIX.

DETENTION CERTIFICATE.

CAMP.

1. Name of passenger—

2. Number and description of ticket—

3. Detained from—
to

Initials and Designation of Issuing Officer.

Date

DETENTION CERTIFICATE.

CAMP.

1. Name of passenger—

2. Number and description of ticket—

3. Detained from—
to

Name and Designation of Issuing Officer.

Date

Proof
7/1/99
9-1-99

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Proof for approval
of the Plague Commr

9/1/99

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Please correct & strike off

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Letter, No. $\frac{17}{3}$, 5th January 1899.

JANUARY.

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Prescribing the form of the certificates to be given to holders of through tickets detained for observation at the railway inspection stations; and requesting the Superintendent, Government Press, to supply certain Collectors with books ~~of the certificates.~~ containing the certificate forms

From the Plague Commissioner, d/ 19-11-98, Ref. no. 1442: Abstract,— Forwarding [illegible] to the Agents of the [illegible] Southern Mahratta, Madras & South India Railways for favour of opinion the above letter from the Manager, East Coast Ry.

[PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

READ—the following papers :—

From the Manager, East Coast Railway, Waltair, dated 16th November 1898, No. 9020.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting to be favoured with an authoritative procedure for adoption at all the Railway inspection stations with regard to the issue of certificates to the holders of through tickets detained in the observation camps and subsequently continue their journey.

~~Again Refce. on No. 1442 d/ 19-11-98 forwarding to the Agents of S.I. & M.R. the above paper for favour of opinion by the East Coast [illegible] to the following [illegible] the matter.~~

From the Agent, Southern Mahratta Railway Company, Dharwar, dated 26th November 1898, No. 7952/11601.

ABSTRACT.—Stating that, if the certificate given at Hospet had added to it the number of the ticket held by the passenger and the ticket itself was endorsed by the Plague official and signed by him with his official designation, it would meet all the requirements.

From the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway Company, Royapuram, dated 13th December 1898, No. 11427/13030.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding his opinion about passengers travelling after having been detained by Plague authorities with certain certificate and suggesting that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to all detention stations.

From the Agent, South Indian Railway, Trichinopoly, dated 13th December 1898, No. 1563—40—4089.

ABSTRACT.—Informing that the plan proposed by the Traffic Superintendent, East Coast Railway, about passengers travelling after having been detained by Plague authorities with certain certificate, is suitable provided the station master is the endorsing authority and a rubber stamp with certain inscription is provided at inspection stations.

LETTER, No. 17/3, dated 5th January 1899.

To

THE MANAGER, EAST COAST RAILWAY.

SIR,

I have the honour to reply to your letter, No. 9020 of the 16th November, with which you forwarded a communication from your Traffic Superintendent, with the request that a uniform procedure may be adopted at all Railway inspection stations with regard to the issue of certificates to the holders of through tickets who are detained in the observation camps and subsequently continue their journey.

Your Traffic Superintendent wrote :—

"Passengers are now arriving at stations on this railway after having been detained at plague camps for purposes of observation and in some cases the tickets held by them are backed by some one, position unknown. The plague observation camp at Hospet on the Southern Mahratta Railway has a printed form as follows :—

"No. 1692. PLAGUE OBSERVATION CAMP, HOSPET,
20th September 1898.

"Certified that Guranna, travelling from Belgaum to Kavti, has been detained under observation at Hospet from 10th September 1898 to 20th September 1898, and that prior to his departure his person has been washed and clothes and baggage disinfected."

(Signed)

M.B., Surgeon Captain, I.M.S.,
In charge of Plague Observation Camp, Hospet.

"I have consulted the Examiner of Accounts and we are agreed that either of the two following procedures would suit. But I am in favour of the second as being more sure of accomplishment :—"

"(*a*) The person backing tickets should state on them the period from and to which their holders were detained and he should sign his name and designation to enable the Audit offices to pass the tickets without further reference" or

"(*b*) the ticket might be collected at the station of detention and sent into audit with other collected tickets and the passenger handed a paper ticket worded somewhat as follows :—

——Station.
——189 .

Holder of class ticket No. from to dated No. train (which has been collected by me) has been detained here from 189 to 189 in Plague Observation Camp has been discharged and permitted to travel by No. train to

—————
Station Master."

2. Your letter was communicated to the Agents of the Southern Mahratta Railway and South Indian Railway and the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway with the request that they would express their opinions in the matter. Major Burn Murdoch considers the alternative proposal too elaborate and likely to lead to the misuse of the tickets withdrawn, and would adopt the Hospet certificate provided it has added to it the number of the ticket held by the passenger and the ticket itself is endorsed by the plague official "detained at from to " and signed by him with his official designation. The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, recommends the adoption of the first proposal and suggests that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to all detention stations, leaving only the dates and signature to be filled in in manuscript. The Agent, South Indian Railway, also prefers the first proposal, but considers that the stationmaster should be the endorsing authority; he proposes a small rubber-stamp, as below, for use at inspection stations, the letters P.A. standing for Plague authorities :—

Detained by P.A.
at..............
on ....

Stationmaster ....
.... Station.

Resumed journey
on .... after
Plague Detention..
....

Stationmaster ....
.... Station.

3. To one difficulty sufficient consideration does not seem to have been given. The ordinary tickets are so small that but little can be written on them when whole, while at the present time they are *nicked* and punched at so many stations as to leave still less room for writing the required information legibly. However, it is for you, rather than for me, to raise objections on this ground.

italics not required.

4. The object of the proposals is the facilitation of audit, and this, I consider, is a matter with regard to which the Railway companies should make their own arrangements. I agree with the Agent of the South Indian Railway that the officer giving the endorsement to enable a passenger to resume his journey after detention should be a servant of the railway. In order to furnish him with the necessary information, certificates in the form given below will be issued under the Plague officer's signature, which should be readily known to the local stationmaster. Major Burn Murdoch's proposed endorsement is the shortest and will probably be found the easiest to adopt. I trust that this arrangement will meet your requirements.

5. The Superintendent of the Government Press will be requested to print and supply to the Collectors of Kistna, Kurnool, Bellary, Anantapur, Salem ~~and~~ North Arcot and Coimbatore books of certificates in the form appended for use by the officers in charge of camps at railway inspection stations.

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

L. E. BUCKLEY,
Plague Commissioner.

To the Manager of the East Coast Railway.

Copy to the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.
" the " South Indian Railway.
" the " Southern Mahratta Railway.
" ~~the Collector of Kistna.~~
" ~~the " of Kurnool.~~
" ~~the " of Bellary.~~
" ~~the " of Anantapur.~~
" ~~the " of Salem.~~
" ~~the " of North Arcot.~~ Coimbatore
" the Superintendent, Government Press.
" ~~all General Officers Commanding Districts.~~

all Collectors [illegible] (A. 7 & H.)

Exd. C. M. Thambuswamy. [Appendix.

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DETENTION CERTIFICATE.

CAMP.

1. Name of passenger—

2. Number and description of ticket—

3. Detained from— to

Initials and Designation of Issuing Officer.

Date

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3. Detained from— to

Name and Designation of Issuing Officer.

Date

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1898)

CURRENT No. 1442

PC 17/8/11/99

1 abstract

From The Manager East Coast Railway, Waltair

For Orders

The Railway authorities are generally in favour of proposal(a) but the tickets are so small and are so often punched that it would seem almost impossible to endorse on them the dates of detention & the signature & designation of the officer of the detaining officer.

[illegible]
19/11/98

No. 9020

Dated 16-11-1898

Received 19-11-1898

Registered 19-11-1898

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SUBJECT.

Requesting to be favoured with an authoritative procedure for adoption at all the Railway ~~Inspection~~ ~~with regard to the issue~~ Stations ~~which are plague~~ ~~to the holders of~~ ~~of certificates~~ ~~Stations are~~ ~~examination~~ ~~through tickets detained in the observa-~~ ~~where there are plague~~ ~~tion camps & subsequently continue~~ ~~station~~ ~~Chiefs about passengers~~ ~~their journey after having been~~ ~~travelling~~ ~~detained for plague examination~~ ~~certain period with certain~~ ~~certificate showing that they~~ ~~have been detained~~

Inspection Stations with regard to the issue of certificates to the holders of through tickets detained in the observation camps and subsequently continue their journey

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Copy of letter No. 1748 dated 13th November 1898 from the Traffic Superintendent to the Manager, East Coast Railway.

Bubonic Plague backing of tickets held by passengers detained for examination in Plague Camps.

I have the honor to report for your information that passengers are now arriving at stations on this Railway after having been detained at Plague Camps for purposes of observation and in some cases the tickets held by them are backed by some one, position unknown. The Plague observation Camp at Hospet on the Southern Mahratta Railway, has a printed form as follows:-

"No. 1692. Plague Observation Camp Hospet 20.9.98.

Certified that Gooramah travelling from Belgaum to Kavti has been detained under observation at Hospet from 10.9.98 to 20.9.98 and that prior to his departure his person

has

has been washed and Clothes and baggage disinfected.

Sd/ ——— M.B.
Surgeon-Captain, I.M.S.
In Charge of Plague
Observation Camp, Hospet."

2. This question is one that affects all Railways and should be referred to the Plague Commissioner for one authoritative procedure to be adopted at all stations which are Plague Examination stations and where there are Plague Observation Camps, whenever passengers are detained for observation by the Medical Officers. I have consulted the Examiner of Accounts and we are agreed that either of the two following procedures would suit, but I am in favor of the second as being more sure of accomplishment.

(a) The person backing tickets should state on them the period from and to which their holders were detained and he should sign his name and designation to enable the audit Offices to pass the tickets without further reference.

(b)

(b) Or the ticket might be collected at the station of detention and sent into audit with other collected tickets and the passenger handed a paper ticket worded somewhat as follows:—

——— Station,
——— 189 .

Holder of ——— Class ticket No. ——— from ——— to ——— dated ——— No. ——— train (which has been collected by me) has been detained here from ——— 189 to ——— 189 in Plague Observation Camp ——— has been discharged to day and permitted to travel by No. ——— train to ———.

———
Station Master.

3. The ticket issued under clause (b) should be on the authority of a certificate similar to that given at Hospet. Will you kindly move in the matter and favor me with your orders at an early date?

(True Copy)

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(b) In the ticket might be collected
at the station of detention
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Station ___
189___ .

Holder of ___ class ticket
___ No. ___ from ___ to ___
dated ___ No. ___
(which has been collected by
me) has been detained there
from ___ 189 to ___ 189
in Plague Observation Camp
has been discharged ___
to pay and permitted to travel
___ to ___ from ___ to ___

___

Station Master

3. The ticket was issued under rule (b)
[illegible] the authority of [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

C to [illegible]

Form No. Mgr. 19.

VE

In your reply please quote the number and date of this letter.

No. 9020

P.C.
19 NOV. 1898

From

The MANAGER,
East Coast Railway.

To,

The Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

Send copy of this correspondence to Manager – S.I.R. – M. Railway from S.P.P. Rail for opinion as to the best course to be followed in this matter. 19/11/98

Dated, Waltair, November 1898.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith a copy of letter No. 1748 of the 13th Instant from the Traffic Superintendent of this Railway, I have the honor to request you will be good enough to obtain an authoritative procedure for adoption at all the Railway stations which are plague examination stations and where there are Plague observation camps, as the question raised by the Traffic Superintendent of this Railway affects all Railways. A uniform procedure would therefore in my opinion be advisable.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major, R.E.

Manager.

Accompaniments. One

16/11

~~NOTE FOR THE~~

Ref on C No 1442 of 1898

Copies of the correspondence will be forwarded to the Agent ~~Manager~~ S. I. R ✓ / M. R. ✓ / S. M. R ✓ for favor of opinion as to the best course to be followed in the matter.

(From orders)

for S. C
19/11/98

Despd 19/11/98

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1898)

CURRENT No. 1739

2 abstract

Order

From The Agent. Southern Mahratta
Railway Company
Dharwar.

No. 7952/11601

Dated 26-11-1898.

Received 29-11-1898

Registered 29-11-1898

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SUBJECT.

Stating that if the certificate given at Hospet had added to it the number of the ticket held by the passenger and the ticket itself was endorsed by the plague official and signed by him with his official designation it would meet all the requirements.

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Southern Mahratta Railway Company, (Ld.,)

No. ~~7952 a~~ 1160

AGENT'S OFFICE,

DHARWAR, 26th November 1898.

P. C.
29 NOV. 1898

P.E.
What of this rule?

To

The Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your No. 1442 of 19th November 1898, I have the honour to inform you that it seems to me that the alternative proposal made by the Traffic Superintendent, E. C. Railway, is too elaborate and might lead to the misuse of the tickets withdrawn, since there would be no check on these.

(2) I think if the certificate given at Hospet had added to it the number of the ticket held by the passenger, and the ticket itself was endorsed by the plague official "detained at——from——to——" and signed by him with his official designation mentioned, it would meet all our requirements.

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

For Agent.

M. N.

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1898)

CURRENT No. 2259

3 abstract

From The Agent and Manager
Madras Railway Co.
Royapuram

Order

No. 11427/13030

Dated 13-12-1898
Received 14-12-1898
Registered 14-12-1898.
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SUBJECT.

Forwarding his opinion about passengers travelling after having been detained by Plague authorities with certain certificate and suggesting that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to all detention stations

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(A. & M. IV.)

Enclosures

No. 11427

13030

Re 14/12/98

Madras Railway Company,
AGENT & MANAGER'S OFFICE,
RAYAPURAM TERMINUS,

Madras, 13th December 1898.

From

The Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway Company.

To

The Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

SIR,

With reference to the Proceedings forwarded with your No. C 1442 dated 19th ultimo, I have the honour to inform you that of the two proposals made by the Traffic Superintendent, East Coast Railway, that marked (a) is recommended for adoption. It is suggested that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to all detention stations leaving only the dates and signature to be filled in manuscript.

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

Edwards
p. Agent & Manager.

Enclo: nil

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PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1898)

CURRENT No. 2260

J. H. abstract

From The Agent S. I. R.
Trichinopoly

No. 1563 $\frac{40}{4089}$

Dated 13-12-1898
Received 14-12-1898
Registered 14-12-1898
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Order

For orders as to the form of certificate to be adopted

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16/12

SUBJECT.

Informing that the plan proposed by the Traffic Superintendent E. C. R., about passengers travelling after having been detained by Plague authorities with certain certificate, is suitable provided the Station Master is the endorsing authority and a rubber stamp with certain inscription is provided at inspection station.

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C№ 1442

C No 2260

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R1563/40/4089

South Indian Railway Co., Ld.
AGENT'S OFFICE.
TRICHINOPOLY, 13th December 1898.

From

THE AGENT,

SOUTH INDIAN RAILWAY.

To

The Plague Commissioner
Madras

Sir,

With reference to your endorsement C № 1442 dated 19th November 1898, I have the honor to inform you that the plan proposed in Clause 2(a) of letter No. 1746 dated 13th November 1898, from the Traffic Superintendent, East Coast Railway, is I think suitable provided the Station Master is the endorsing authority. A small rubber stamp with the words shown below might be provided at inspection stations. The letters P.A. mean Plague Authorities.

Detained by
P.A. at ....
on ....

Station Master
.... Station

Resumed journey
on .... after
Plague Detention

Station Master
...... Station

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

T.W. Le Mesurier
for Agent

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In abstract
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Letter No. 17/3 d 5-1-99

To

The Manager, East Coast Railway

Sir

I have the honour to reply to your letter No 9020 of the 16th November with which you forwarded a Communication from your Traffic Superintendent with the request that a uniform procedure may be adopted at all Railway Inspection Stations with regard to the issue of certificates to the holders of through tickets who are detained in the observation camps and subsequently continue their journey.

Your Traffic Superintendent wrote:-

"Passengers are now arriving "at Stations on this railway "after having been detained "at plague camps for purposes "of observation and in some "cases the tickets held b

them

"them are backed by some one, "position unknown. The plague "observation Camp at Hospet "on the Southern Mahratta Railway "has a printed form as follows:-

" No. 1692 Plague Obs^{n} Camp
Hospet, 20-9-98

" Certified that Guranna tra-"velling from Belgaum to Karwar "has been detained under "observation at Hospet from "10-9-98 to 20-9-98 and that "prior to his departure his "person has been washed "and clothes and baggage "disinfected.

" Sd/ ________ M.B
" Surgeon-Captain I.M.S
In ch. of plague obs^{n} Camp
Hospet.

" * * * *

" I have consulted the Examiner "of Accounts and we are "agreed that either of the two "following procedures ~~[illegible]~~ would "suit. But I am in favour "of the second as being "more sure of accomplishment.

(a)

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" (a) The person backing tickets "should state on them the period "from and to which their "holders were detained and "he should sign his name "and designation to enable "the audit office to pass the "tickets without further reference "or (b) the ticket might be "collected at the Station of "detention and sent into audit "with other collected tickets "and the passenger handed "a paper ticket worded somewhat "as follows:-

" ____ Station
" ____ 189 .
" Holder of ____ class ticket
" No. ____ from ____ to ____
" dated ____ No. ____ train
" (which has been collected
" by me) has been detained
" here from ____ 189 to ____ 189
" in Plague Observation Camp
" ____ has been discharged
" and permitted to travel by
" No. ____ train to ____ .

____
" Station Master"

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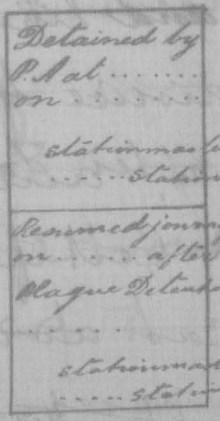
" in Plague Observation Camp
" ____ has been discharged
" and permitted to travel by
" No. ____ train to ____.

" ______
Station Mast

3.2 Your letter was communicated to the Agents of the S.M.R and S.I.R and the Agent & Manager of the M.R with the request that they would express their opinions in the matter. Major Burn Murdoch considers the alternative proposal too elaborate and likely to lead to the misuse of the tickets withdrawn, and would adopt the Hospet Certificate provided it has added to it the number of the ticket held by the passenger and the ticket itself is endorsed by the plague official "detained at — from — to —" and signed by him with his official designation. The Madras Railway Agent and Manager recommends the adoption of the first proposal and suggests that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to all detention Stations leaving only the dates and signature to be filled in in MSS. The

Agent

~~The~~ Agent S.I.R also prefers the first proposal, but considers that the Station master should be the endorsing authority; he proposes a small rubber stamp as below for use at Inspecting Stations, the letters P.A standing for Plague Authorities.



Detained by
P.A at ....
on ....

stationmaster
........station

Resumed journey
on ...... after
Plague Detention
....

stationmaster
........station

3. To one difficulty sufficient consideration does not seem to have been given. The ordinary tickets are so small that but little can be written on them when whole, while at the present time they are nicked and punched at so many stations as to leave still less room for writing the required information legibly. However, it is for you rather than for me to raise objections on this ground.

4. The object of the proposals is the facilitation of audit, and this I consider is a matter with regard to which the Railway Companies should make their own arrangements. I agree with the Agent of the S.I.R that the officer giving the endorsement to ~~ensure~~ enable a passenger to resume his journey after detention should be a servant of the Railway. In order to furnish him with the necessary information, certificates in the form given below, will be issued under the Plague officer's signature, which should be readily known to the local Station master. Major Burn Murdoch's proposed endorsement is the shortest and will probably be found the easiest to adopt. I trust that this arrangement will meet your requirements.

5. The Superintendent of the Government Press will

will be requested to print and supply to the Collectors of Kistna, Kurnool, Bellary, Anantapur, Salem and North Arcot books of certificates in the form appended for use by the officers in charge of Camps at Railway Inspection Stations

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To the Manager of the E.C.R

Copy to Agent and Manager, M.R
.. Agent S.I.R
.. .. S.M.R
Collectors of, Kistna, Kurnool, Bellary Anantapur Salem, & N. Arcot
Superintendent Govt Press.

Copy to all Genl. Officers Commanding Dts.

P.T.O.

Detention Certificate

Camp

1. Name of Passenger

2. Number & description of ticket

3. Detained from to

Date Signature & Designation of issuing officer

[illegible]

Detention Certificate

Camp

1. Name of Passenger

2. Number & description of ticket

3. Detained from to

Date Name & designation of issuing officer

Draft fresh this

I have t. h. to reply to your

Please make a fair copy of this

[illegible] H. L.

Fair copy submitted. Your

H. L.
31.12.98

[illegible]

Sir,

~~In his~~ Your letter No 9020 of the 16th Nov. with which you ~~the Manager of the E.R.~~ forwarded a communication from ~~his~~ Traffic Superintendent with ~~the request that~~ a uniform procedure may ~~might~~ be adopted at all Railway ~~[illegible]~~ Inspection Stations with regard to the issue of Certificates to the holders of through tickets who are detained ~~[illegible] their journey after detention~~ in the Observation Camps, & subsequently continue their journey, ~~the~~ Traffic Supt wrote

"Passengers are now arriving at stations on this Railway after having been detained at Plague Camps for purposes of observation & in some cases the tickets held by them are lacked by some one, position unknown. The Plague observation Camp at Hospet on the Southern Mahratta Railway has a printed form

Herewith

I have consulted the Examiner of Accounts & we are agreed that either of the 2 following procedures would suit.

(a)

(b)

[illegible]

2. ~~Major Sutton's~~ Your letter was circulated to the Agents of the B.N.R. & E.I.R. & the Agent & Manager of the N.R. with the request ~~that~~ they ~~would~~ express their opinions on the matter. Major Brunton considers the ~~alternative proposal~~ too elaborate & likely to lead to the misuse of the ~~tickets [illegible]~~; I would adopt the Agent certificate provided it is added to it the no. of the ticket holder & the ticket itself is endorsed by the official [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ from ~~[illegible]~~ & signed by him with his official designation. The Agent & Manager ~~recommends~~ the adoption of the first proposal & suggests that a stamp of uniform pattern be supplied to ~~selected~~ stations leaving only the date & signature to be filled in in ink. [illegible] R. also prefers the first

proposal, but considers that the Station Master should be the endorsing authority; he proposes a small rubber stamp, as below, for use at Inspection Stations, the ~~words~~ letters P.A. standing for Plague Authorities.

Detained by P.A
at —
on —
Station Master
Station

3. To the difficulty ~~[illegible]~~ sufficient consideration does not seem to have been given. The ordinary tickets ~~[illegible]~~ ~~for~~ are so small that but little can be written on them even were more made. At the present time ~~all tickets~~ they are nicked & punched at so many stations as to ~~make them of little use for the purpose of carrying written information~~ leave ~~but little~~ still less room for writing the required information legibly. However, ~~it is proposed, after the form~~ objections to raise on this ground.

4. The object of the proposals is the facilitation of transit, and this ~~Plague Commissioner~~ considers is a matter ~~for~~ with regard to which the Railway Companies should ~~arrange for~~ make their own arrangements, ~~in consultation~~ in agreement with the Agent of the S.I.R. that the ~~ordinary~~ officer

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giving the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~certificate~~ ~~ticket~~ to ensure a passenger to resume his journey after ~~[illegible]~~ detention should be a servant of the Railway. In order to furnish him with the necessary information ~~[illegible]~~ certificates ~~in the attached form~~ will be issued under the signature ~~of the~~ Plague officers, which should be ~~[illegible]~~ shown to the local Station master ~~by giving the number of the ticket & the place of detention~~.

3. The Superintendent of the Government Press will be req^d to print & ~~circulate~~ supply to the Collectors of Kistna, Kurnool, Bellary, Anantapur, ~~Kurnool~~, Salem & North Arcot books of certificates in the form appended for use by the officers in charge of Camps at Railway Inspection Stations.

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in the form given below

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I trust that this arrangement will meet your requirements.

To the Manager of the E.C.R.
Copy to ~~Agent~~ [illegible] M.R.
Agent S.I.R.
Agent S.M.R.
Collectors of K, K, B, A, S & N.A.
Supt. Govt. Press.

Detention Certificate

Camp,

1. Name of ~~Traveller~~ Passenger

2. Number & description of ticket

3. Detained from to

Signature.

Date.

Detention Certificate.

Camp.

1. Name of ~~Traveller~~ Passenger.

2. Number & description of ticket

3. Detained from to

Date.

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Returned for signature.

Despatched in print.

Number of copies required. { Order complete. / Letter only. / Order complete with Letter.

Separate copies — 30
Spare copies — 190

Read again No. 189 .

Dated

Current No. 1442, 1739, 2259, 2260 } —— P.

Q

H. S.
10.1.99

Press,

Please show Proof.

H. S.
5.1.99

Enclosures to C. No.

A = Print in full.
B = Not to be printed.
P = Print abstract only.
Q = Print heading only.