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H. M. S. S. S.
26.1.99.
Personal Assistant
for Plague Commissioner.

To the Collector of Cuddapah (A, C, F, J, K).
" all other Collectors (A, C, F, J, K).
" the Financial Department.
" the Surgeon-General.
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" President, Municipal Commission, Madras.

APPENDICES.

G.O., No. 898 M., dated 13th April 1897.

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L. E. BUCKLEY,
Plague Commissioner

To the Collector of Cuddapah. (4. 2. 1. k)
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REFERENCE No. 342 of 99
ENCLOSURES.

C. S. 1893
Collector's Office,

Dated 13th January 1899.

FROM

H. C. D. Harding Esq

Acting Collector of

Cuddalore

TO

Plague Commissioner

Madras

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Yours most obedt Servt
G. A. K. Baghel
For a collector

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FROM

THE *Acting* COLLECTOR OF

To

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REFERENCE No.

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SUBJECT.

T. M. Cells of Cuddapah (40)
 C. all Min Cells
 " 3rd Sept.
 " P. L.
 " P. L.
 President of the Union

High rates are
Result also
a paid class. 1/3 9/1

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~~are subject to the maximum~~
~~of Rs. 100 and also subject to the~~
~~approval of the Government.~~
The rates attached
in the enclosure left, but as no action
has been taken yet, ^{until} they are sent
to the District Collector, they shall
be allowed to be paid. It is necessary
that the Govt pay to attract poor people.
Please repeat pay and allowances
of Dr. Taylor, addl. medical officer
Cuddapah.

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No. 455 P., 9TH MAY 1898.

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To
THE
Plague Commission
Madras

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SUBJECT:

Submitting a report
on the revised estimate
sent to you on the 5th inst.

T. M. Ellis of Cundupah (1855)
 C. all Min. Ellis
 " 2nd Sept.
 " P. L.
 " P. L.
 President Will. W. W.

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should not be applied to the
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to the Ambulance staff, however an active
mess draw only Rs 100; ^{united} ~~as before~~ they are sent
to a large infected village. The other
ambulances will report later. It is necessary
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Cuddalore.

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P.O. no: 898 M, dated 13th April 1887

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Plague Commissions
Madras

Dated 13th January

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1,000-4-10-98.

NOTE FOR THE

Telephone again to the Surgeon
 General Madras:-

Please intimate pay and allowances
 of Mr Taylor, additional medical
 officer Cuddalore, vide telephone
 yesterday. Information urgently
 required.

for P.C
 never mind - send paper
 to Gen meanwhile.
 20/6/98
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 appendix.

For instructions whether f.o no. 455 P
 or 898 is to be printed as appendix
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 Please expedite proof of
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[Handwritten message:]
 From telegraph office to Mr. Taylor additional medical officer
 Mr. Taylor is only entitled to
 the pay of Rs 350/- per month
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