PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

(1899)

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 22

Dated 5-1-99

Despatched 5-1-99
(at 4.35 p.m.)

[Despatch Abstract.]

Fortnightly Narrative

Submitting to Govt ——— of plague

for the period from 18th to 31st Dec '98

BACK PAPERS.

No.	Date.	No.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Sir

I have the h. to ~~forward~~ submit for the info. of Govt. the fortnightly narrative of plague from Sunday 18th Decr. to Sat. 31st Decr 1898.

5/1 W.B.

Ldh.

Ditto: This must be fair copied at once for my signature at 4 p.m. The appx requires careful attention. In some lines, the nos. given rearrange order of villages.

5/1 W.B.

Progress of Plague. During the fortnight the following cases were reported :—

	Imported		Indigenous		Total Previous ~~last~~ fortnight	
	Seizures	deaths	Seizures	deaths	S.	D.
Anantapur District	4	2	74	60	39	22
Bellary District	–	–	50	48	60	58
Chingleput District	–	–	–	–	4	3
Kurnool District	–	–	4	4	4	2
Madras City	–	–	–	–	5	2
North Arcot District	1	–	–	–	7	4
Salem District	6	2	51	36	29	18
Trichinopoly District	–	–	–	–	1	0
Total	11	4	179	148	149	107

Details are given in ~~the~~ the Appx 3

Anantapur District. There was slight improvement at Guntakal and a marked improvement at Kotala; in the latter hamlet the seizures fell from 23 to 7. The outbreak at Hindupur reported in the last narrative has taken from here & a neighbouring village Chamrike is now badly affected. Forty reports as imported cases, while an indigenous case is reported from Kunakandla near Guntakal; the Collector ~~ex~~ considers that there is good reason to believe that infection was carried to Kunakandla by rats.

Bellary District. The reports from Molagavalli show a slight improvement. Indigenous cases were discovered in the neighbouring village of Pedda Hothur, but the spread of the disease seems to have been stopped by the prompt action of the local authorities. No fresh attacks at Siriguppa or Hospet have been ~~were~~ reported since the 18th & 20th Decr.

Kurnool District. The disease continues at Nandikotkur, but is kept in check.

Salem District. There was an improvement at Kistnagiri, but the small village of Zuzgurada close by suffered severely for its size.

Shoolagiri a village 14 miles distant, & with a population of only about 1000 suffered severely, reporting 38 cases & 24 deaths. The disease is believed to have been conveyed by Chamar boys returned escaped from Bangalore.

2. Segregation &c. Complete evacuation of infected towns & villages has been carried out without much difficulty, in almost all cases ~~Districts~~. Even in the large trading town of Hindupur is practically deserted. There can be no doubt that the people themselves realize the necessity for evacuation; the difficulty is experienced only in the case of those who have much to leave behind. ~~In Salem District & at Guntakal~~ ~~Kurnool & Anantapur~~ It has been found possible in a few parts to arrange for the people being sheltered to some extent in camps, & as long as this can be done, it is possible to exercise some control over them; but in the majority of cases the people leave their houses for huts in their

own fields, & where this is the case efficient control cannot be attained. When the people scatter in the fields, it is difficult to obtain reliable information as to attacks & deaths, & to enforce segregation ~~cannot be enforced~~; the encampments ~~are~~ however, in these cases, usually consist of separate households, or 3 or 4 households together at most, & a voluntary system of segregation is often practised, the sick person, ~~being [illegible]~~ placed in a separate shed at some distance.

encampments rarely communicate with ~~one~~ another

~~[illegible] has been [illegible] for the [illegible] except [illegible] in the Salem District, [illegible] Hindupur, it has been [illegible] better for the sick.~~

Segregation has been satisfactorily carried out in practically all reported cases.

3. ~~The Attitude of the people.~~ There has been no active hostility to plague measures in the fortnight, but there is a general reluctance ~~as~~ to let the sick be taken to the Govt. camps, even though their relations will do little or nothing for them themselves. The necessity for evacuation appears to be generally recognised, & the

inhabitants of healthy villages in the neighbourhood of infected villages are generally on the alert to exclude suspicious strangers.

4. Inoculation. It is regretted that satisfactory information cannot be given as to the progress of inoculation. Steps have been taken to give complete figures so that it may be satisfactory in the next [illegible]. Generally it may be said that no keen desire exists for inoculation. Good work has been done ~~in Hosur Taluk~~ at Mattigiri, in Salem District, but this is mainly among the employees of the Remount Depot & their dependants.

Plague Seizures and deaths for the fortnight end
31st Dec 1898

		Imported		Indigenous		
		S	D	S	D	
	Anantapur Dt					
	Chollora	3	1			
6.	Chowloor	3	1	31	21	~~People~~ Villagers live in scattered huts. Village voluntarily evacuated. Disinfection progressing. ~~Segregation [illegible] enforced in [illegible]~~.
4.	Gooty	1	1			
1.	Guntakal			7	6	Village completely evacuated; & disinfected. Scattered deaths occurred in huts in fields; ~~Segregation of contacts not enforced~~.
2.	Kotala			7	11	Village completely evacuated & disinfected. Villagers practically all in one camp. Sick isolated & ~~segregation [illegible] not~~ enforced.
3.	Konakondla			1	1	Segregation & ~~evacuation~~ Disinfection carried out. Village being evacuated voluntarily.
5.	Hindupur			28	21	The sick are treated in the plague hospital most of and their contacts placed under observation in the camp. Others are left in their encampments. About three-fourths of the population have left their houses and live in the fields.

Plague seizures and deaths for the fortnight ending 31st Dec. 1898

	Imported		Indigenous		
Bellary Dt					
Molagavalli			45	45	Village evacuated & being disinfected. Villagers live in scattered huts in field.
Peddahotur			3	2	Evacuation & disinfection of quarter carried out. Segregation enforced. No spread.
Sirigeri			1	1	Segregation & disinfection carried out
Hospet			1	,	ditto.
Kurnool Dt					
Maddikera			4	4	Evacuation & disinfection of infected quarters carried out. Segregation enforced ~~Contacts segregated~~ in ~~a Chatram or School~~. Patie ~~isolated in their own hous~~ ~~as the plague~~ camp is ~~being ready~~.
N. Arcot Dt					
Chittoor	1				Patient isolated in a vacant building. Conta home segregated. House disinfected.

Plague Seizures & deaths during the fortnight ending 31st Dec 1898

	Imported		Indigenous		
	S	D	S	D	
Salem Dt					
4 Hosur	1	.			No necessary steps taken.
5 ~~[illegible]~~ ~~Hosur Taluk~~ Kumarapalle	1	.			? "
6. Jalarpet	3	1			Treated in the plague Camp attached to the Rly Station
1 Mattigiri			14	8	All but one quarter of village evacuated. Disinfection progressing. Sick treated in hospital & contacts segregated.
3 Shulagiri			29	21	The villagers have fled to fields. Segregation arrangements ~~are~~ being made. ~~[illegible]~~
7 Vaniyambadi	1	1			The patient was not permitted by the people to enter the town. He lives in a vacant building outside the municipal limits. This house has been disinfected
~~Suoowada~~	~~4~~	~~1~~	~~3~~	~~1~~	
2. Zuzuwada			8 ~~6~~	7 ~~6~~	Treated at Road frontier Camp. Village evacuated. Infected houses disinfected. Villagers live in fields.

Statement showing the number of persons inoculated for the fortnight ending 31st Dec 1898.

~~LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.~~

~~(Local.)~~

Serial Number.	Name of District.	Current Number.	No. inoculated ~~Date of Receipt.~~		Total	REMARKS.
			Males	females		
1	Anantapur	{2624 / 26}		2	2	
2	Arcot, North					
3	Arcot, South					
4	Bellary					
5	Canara					
6	Chingleput	69	48		48	
7	Coimbatore	127	150	9	159	
8	Cuddapah	198			nil.	
9	Ganjám	346			nil	
10	Gódávari	270			nil	
11	Kistna	203				figs not given
12	Kurnool					
13	Madura	244			nil	
14	Malabar	331	6	4	10	
15	Nellore					
16	Nilgiris, The	474	-	-	4	
17	Salem					
18	Tanjore					
19	Tinnevelly					
20	Trichinopoly	211	Does not propose to introduce inoculation at present.			
21	Vizagapatam	204			nil.	

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.
(1898)

CURRENT No. 2624

From The Additional Medical officer Hindupur.

Order

No.

Dated

Received 28-12-1898

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Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding statement showing the number of ~~the~~ persons inoculated at Hindupur for the week ending 24-12-1898.

BACK PAPERS.

No.	Date.

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No.	Date.

C No 2624

The return showing the number of the inoculated for the week ending the 24th December 1898 by Dr. John Hunter M. B. the 2nd Additional Medical Officer Anantapur ~~Taluq~~ Hindupur Dy

District	Taluq	Serial number	Villages	Population		Number inoculated during the week					Total inoculated during the week	Total inoculated from the commencement of the operation		Total number of certificates issued	Quantity of Plague serum in stock	Remarks
				Males	Females	Europeans & Eurasians	Mahomedans	Brahmins	Sudras	Other caste		Males	Females			
Anantapur	Hindupur	13	Hindupur	4030	3875	-	-	-	2	-	2	28	4	32	340 doses	

Office of Additional Medical Officer (Hindupur)

To
The Plague Commissioner
Madras

J Hunter.
Addl Medl Officer

C. No 2

...he return showing the number of the inoculated for the fortnight ending the Saturday ...t December ... by J. Hunter 2nd Additional Medical Officer Hindupur

Date	Serial number	Village	[illegible]	Population	Inoculated during the fortnight					Total inoculated during the fortnight	Total inoculated from the commencement of the operations		Total number of certificates issued	Quantity of the Plague serum in stock	Remarks
					Europeans & Eurasians	Mahomedans	Brahmins	Sudras	Others		Males	Females			
[illegible]	1	Hindupur		875				2		2	32	4	36	359 doses	P. C. 2 - JAN 1899 Received

...ffice of the Additional
...edical Officer
Hindupur
Dt. 31/12/98

To
The Plague Commissioner
Madras

J. Hunter
Additional Medical Off...

Statement prepared agreeably to the Plague Commissioner's No 979 of [illegible] 12-98 Conveyed in Collector's Ref on No $\frac{2567}{\text{Genl}}$ of 1898 d/ 26-12-98

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			No inoculated from 18th to 31st Dec 98					Total			
District	Taluq	Village	Europeans & Eurasians	Muhammadans	Brahmins	Sudras	other castes	Males	Females	Total	Remarks
Chingleput	Chingleput	Chingleput	-	7	2	33	6	48	-	48	
	Conjeevaram	Conjeevaram	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Saidapet	Saidapet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

To The Collector of Chingleput Dt.
Saidapet

Forwarded

Chingleput
31-12-98

Asst Surg
for Deputy Cr.

P.C.
3 JAN 1899

D/a/155

Forwarded to the Plague Commissioner.

Ag. Collector

2.1.99

To
The Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

Statement Showing the progress of inoculation in the District of Coimbatore for the fortnight ending Saturday the 31st December 1898.

District	Taluk	Survey [illegible]	Village	Population		Number inoculated during the fortnight					Total inoculated during the fortnight		Total inoculated from the Commencement of the operation		Total number of Certificates issued	Quantity of Plague Serum in Stock	Remarks
				males	Females	Europeans & Eurasians	Muhammadans	Brahmins	Sudras	Other Castes	males	Females	males	Females			
Coimbatore	Coimbatore	"	Coimbatore municipality	22238	24145	"	"	11	2	"	11	2	121	5	75	Doses 934½	
	Erode	"	Erode municipality	6123	6207	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	4 4	1	40	
	Karur	"	Karur municipality	5162	5588	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7 150	-	-	13.	

Office of the Dt. P.M.S. Officer
Coimbatore 3rd January 1899

C. H. Williams M.D.
Captain I.M.S.
Ag. Dt. P.M.S. Officer

Plague

Detailed Plague Report for the period ending 31st December 1898 - Coimbatore District.

1. Name of town or village	-
2. Population of town or village	-
3. Plague cases up to date of last report — No. of seizures	One.
No. of deaths	Nil.
Date of last report	28th December 1898.
4. Date of present attack	-
5. When reported by telegram	-
6. Imported or indigenous	-
7. Brief history of case	
8. If imported, had patient a passport?	
9. Steps taken to isolate and treat the patient.	
10. Steps taken towards the segregation of contacts.	
11. Steps taken towards the evacuation and disinfection of the infected house.	
12. Was there any opposition on the part of the inmates of the infected house or of the people of the village to the plague measures?	
13. Remarks —	There were no cases of plague either imported or indigenous, reported during the fortnight.

N.B. The statement showing the progress of the inoculation for the fortnight received from the District Medical & Sanitary officer is attached.

Coimbatore Collector's office
4th January 1898 —

Ag. Collr.

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4/1/99

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C. N. 127

FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF THE
Coimbatore DISTRICT,

P. C.
5 - JAN. 1899

To

Plague Commissioner
THE ~~SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT~~,
Government Office ~~DEPARTMENT~~,
Fort St. George ~~Madras~~.

Dated 4"
Despatched 4 } January 1899.
Received

D. Disposal No. 25/Rev. of 1899.

ENCLOSURES. 1.

SUBJECT.

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Detailed Plague report for the fortnight ending 31st December/98

C. N. 128

Statement showing the number of Cases inoculated against Plague during the fortnight ending from 18th to 31st December 1898 in the District of Cuddapah.

Plague

P. C.

District	Taluq	Division &c.	Village	Population		Number inoculated during the week					Total inoculated during the week.	Total inoculated from the commencement of the operation		Total number of certificates issued	Quantity of Plague serum in stock.	Remarks
				M	F	Europeans & Eurasians	Mahomedans	Brahmins	Sudras	Others		M	F			
Cuddapah	"			"	"	—	—	—	"	nil	—	—	—	—	100 c.c.	"
													6	Nil (2)		

No. 5/2.1.99

Forwarded to the Collector of Cuddapah for information with reference to his Ref. on C. No. 247 of 98 dated 29.12.98 received at this office on 2.1.99.

J. D. Clinton Mugly MD
Ag. Dist. Med. & Sanitary Officer

Cuddapah
Janry 99

Statement showing the progress of inoculation in the District of Vizagapatam for the fortnight ending 31st December 1898.

Nil.

Vizagapatam }
December 1898 }

Collector.

To
The Plague Commissioner Madras

CM 204

From

The Collector Nil.

Vizagapatam

To

The Plague Commissioner

Madras

Dated

P.C.

Statement showing the progress
of inoculation in the District
of Vizagapatam for the fortnight
ending 31st December 1898

Madura Collector's Office
Dated Madura 4th January 1899.

Dis. 23/Rec'd of 99

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From

C. J. Weir Esq
Collector of
Madura

To

The Plague Commissioner
Madras

Sir,

With reference to your Circular No. 979 dated 22nd December 1898, I have the honor to state that the Statement showing the progress of inoculation in this District during the fortnight ending with the 31st December 1898 is nil.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
M. Tirumal [illegible]
for Ag. Collector
4-1-99

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C. No 203

Fortnightly statement showing the progress of inoculation in the Kistna District for fortnight ending with Saturday the 31st December 1898.

Dis. 3 / Plague 99

No reports have been received from the District Medical and Sanitary officer for the last[x] two weeks and a reminder is being sent to him.

[x] Nil statement since received for week ending 24-12-98.

P.C.

[illegible]
3/2/99
for Collector

To
The Plague Commissioner
Madras

3-1-99.

Cno 264

From

The Collector of

Madura

A Dis. No 3/Genl of 99

Statement showing the progress of inoculation in the Godavari Dt. for the fortnight ending with 31-12-98 } Nil.

(Sd) V. A. Brodie
Collector

To the Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

for Collector.

Dated 4th
Despd } January 1899

Dis No. 23/Rev. D of 1899

Enclosure nil.

Subject

Stating that the statement showing the progress of inoculation in this District during the fortnight ending with the 31st December 1898 is nil.

C. No 331

R.O. Dis. 33
P.C. 99

Return of persons inoculated against plague in the District of Malabar for the ~~week~~ fortnight ending 31st December 1898

District.	Taluk.	Survey No.	Village.	Population.		No. inoculated during the ~~week~~ fortnight					Total inoculated during ~~week~~ fortnight	Total inoculated from the commencement of the operation		Total No. of certificates issued.	Quantities of plague serum in stock.	REMARKS.
				Males.	Females.	Europeans & Eurasians.	Mahomedans.	Brahmins.	Sudras.	Other castes.		Males.	Females.			
Malabar	"	"	"	1314,361	1338,204	1	"	"	9	"	10	(a) 228	37	111	750. cc	(a) inoculated by the Acting Sanitary Officer.
						-	-	-	-	-	-	17 (b)	-	17	Sufficient for 66 persons	(b) do. by the Civil Surgeon Cannanore.
						1	"	"	9		10	245	37	128		

To

The ~~Sanitary Commissioner, Madras with reference to his No. 2549/3 dated 2nd November 1898.~~ Plague Commissioner Madras
with reference Pro. 20979 of 22-12-98

Malabar Collector's Office,
Calicut, 7. 1. 1899. }

for Collector.

Dis no. 72/Emj/199 Ganjam Collectorate Chatrapore 3-1-99

Statement showing the progress of inoculation in the district of Ganjam for the fortnight ending 31st December 1898:—

Nil

To the Plague Commissioner
Madras. K

Ag Collector

P.C.
9 JAN 1899

No 880

the Dist. Medl. and Sany. Officer,
e Nilgiris, Coonoor, 6th January 1899.

Y. Elliot, I.M.S.
Dist. Medl. & Sany. Officer, The Nilgiris.

Commissioner,
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your No: 979 dated 22nd December 1898, addressed to all Collectors, I have the honour to inform you that 17 persons were inoculated by me on the 18th November 1898 at Gudalur. I have performed no other Plague inoculations.

ENCLOSURE

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant,

Captain, I.M.S.
Dist. Medl. & Sany. Officer,
The Nilgiris.

Inoculation statistics for Ootacamund, The Nilgiris

P.C.
12 JAN 1899

District		The Nilgiris
Taluq		Ootacamund Town
Survey No.		Ootacamund
Village.		Town.
Population	M	7912
	F	7141
Number inoculated during the fortnight (18th to 31st December)	Europeans & Eurasians	4
	Mahomedans	2
	Brahmins	"
	Sudras	1
	Other castes	1
Total inoculated during the fortnight		4
Total inoculated from the commencement of the operation	M	218
	F	121
Total certificates issued.		339
Remarks		Mr Col Lawrie's Englishman has been fatal to inoculation in this place —

Ootacamund
9th January 1899 } No. 36

To, The Plague Commissioner
for Madras.

M.B
Major I.M.S
Actg. Dt. Med & Sanity. Officer
The Nilgiris

File with the report for the fortnight & show
10/1/99

MHS
9/1/99

Return of progress in Plague Inoculation in the District of Tinnevelly for the Week ending 31-12-98.

P.C.
13 JAN 1899

Dt.	Taluk.	Survey No.	Village.	Population M.	Population F.	No. inoculated during the week: Europeans and Eurasians	Mahomedans	Brahmins	Sudras.	other castes	Total inoculated in the Week.	Total inoculated from the beginning of the operation: M.	F.	Total No. of certificates issued	Quantity of Plague serum in stock.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Tinnevelly	Tinnevelly	.	Tinnevelly Municipality.	11759	13009	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	50 bottles	
			Palamcottah Municipality.	8845	9841	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	30 bottles	
	Ottappidaram		Tuticorin	13713	11394	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	..	12	110 bottles	
	Srivilliputur		Srivilliputur Municipality.	295	41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	300 doses	
	Other parts.			—	.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1000 doses	

Tinnevelly Collector's Office }
Dated 6th January 1899 }.

Dis. D. 36/ /199

(signed) E. Scott.
Ag. Collector.

(True copy). E. Scott
Ag. Collector

To The Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

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