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Recording G.O. communicating the resolution of the Govt. of Bombay on the violation under which _____ should be treated

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Order No. 126 P. dated 24th January 1899.

Communicated to the Plague and Sanitary Commissioners and the Surgeon-General.

(True Extract)

A Rodrigues
For Secretary to Govt

To the Plague Commissioner
" Sanitary Commissioner
" Surgeon-General
Copy to all Collectors
" President Municipal Commissioners
Madras.

P. C.
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RESOLUTION.—Recorded.

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Treatment of Pneumonic cases of Plague.

Communicating to the Plague and Sanitary Commissioners and the Surgeon-General letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of the resolution of the Government of Bombay regarding the — in hospitals.

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