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Observation Circles round Vellore.

Approving of the proposals of the Collector of North Arcot regarding the starting of — and stating that revenue inspectors selected for plague duty should get the pay and allowances sanctioned by Government for plague inspectors.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

READ—the following paper :—

From J. K. BATTEN, Esq., Acting Collector and District Magistrate, North Arcot, to the Plague Commissioner, Madras, dated Chittoor, 28th January 1899, R.C. No. 220-~~W~~.

With reference to paragraph 2 of your Proceedings, No. 104—7, dated 12th January 1899, I have the honour to state that I have formed thirteen observation circles around Vellore up to a depth of 20 miles on all directions except south-west where the intervention of the Javadi Hills renders the formation of circles beyond 10 miles unnecessary. The following is the description of the circles formed :—

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2. A plan of the district having the above divisions marked in it is under preparation and will be submitted shortly.

3. I do not propose to start all the thirteen circles at once. It is enough for the present if circles Nos. 1, 9, 11, 4, 5 and 6 which adjoin Vellore and Arcot are started, and I have started them accordingly in anticipation of your sanction. Instead of appointing sanitary inspectors as plague inspectors of these circles, I have appointed selected revenue inspectors of the district as plague inspectors. The sanitary inspectors sent out for plague duty are mostly young and inexperienced with very little tact or patience and have not proved a success above the ghâts. The special training which they undergo for a few days in sanitation and disinfection does not help them much in managing the people and obtaining the information which is the more important part of their work. On the other hand, revenue inspectors have much influence and local knowledge and a better sense of discipline. These revenue inspectors have already learnt theoretically the method of disinfection from a circular issued by me and many of them have seen disinfection carried out, and I will also make them undergo a few days' practical training under the District Medical and Sanitary Officer. They will be paid a monthly salary of Rs. 50, plus Rs. 15 horse allowance, and each of them will have under him a peon on Rs. 7. Two European or Eurasian supervisors will also be appointed with two peons to work under each. One of them will have his head-quarters at Vellore and will supervise the work of plague inspectors in circles Nos. 1, 9 and 11; and the other will have his head-quarters at Ránipéttai, and will exercise control over inspectors of circles Nos. 4, 5, and 6. A list of villages comprised in each circle will be prepared and supplied to the plague inspectors and supervisors. I have also appointed two sanitary inspectors to watch the bridge between Vellore and Katpadi and two to watch the road where the Vellore-Arcot road crosses the old town ramparts, a little way out of Vellore.

PROCEEDINGS—No. $\frac{292}{21}$, dated 31st January 1899.

The Collector's proposals are approved with the exception that the revenue inspectors selected for plague duty should get the pay and allowances sanctioned by Government for plague inspectors, viz., Rs. 45 + Rs. 15 horse allowance + Rs. 15 fixed travelling allowance. The receipt of the map is awaited.

Personal Assistant
for *Plague Commissioner.*

To the Collector of North Arcot (A—L).
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NORTH ARCOT, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Chittoor - dated 28th Jany 1899

R.C. No. $\frac{220}{P}$ OF 1899.

FROM
J. K. Batten Esqr.
Ag. COLLECTOR AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
North Arcot,

TO
THE Plague Commissioner
Madras.

P.C. $\frac{222}{21}$ 31/1/99

SIR,

With reference to para 2 of your proceedings No $\frac{104}{7}$, dated 12th January 99, I have the honor to state that I have formed 13 observation circles around Vellore up to a depth of 20 miles on all directions except southwest where the intervention of the Javadi Hills renders the formation of circles beyond 10 miles unnecessary. The following is the description of the circles formed:

No 1. Vandrantangal circle

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The area comprised between Vellore in the south, Chengi of Gudiyattam Taluk on the west, Papasamudram of Chittoor Taluk

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on the north, and Serkadu ~~of~~ in Gudiyattam Taluk on the east. Head Quarters of the Plague Inspector at Vandrantangal in Gudiyattam Taluk.

No 2. Chilapalle circle.

The area comprised between Papasamudram and Marakkalkuppam in Chittoor Taluk on the south, Tummenda, Yadamari, and Mahasamudram of Chittoor Taluk on the west, Mahasamudram, Chittoor, and Mukkalathur of Chittoor Taluk on the north, and Mukkalathur, Muthukur, Patchanipalle, Veganambapuram (Agraharam), and Marakalkuppam of Chittoor Taluk on the east. Head quarters of the plague Inspector at Chilapalle.

No 3. Pounai circle. lying to the east of No 2 circle and having for its western boundary the eastern boundary of No 2 circle, for its southern boundary a line (almost straight) drawn through Marakalkuppam, Mahimandalam, and Melpadi of Chittoor Taluk and Rendadi

and Kodakal of Wallajah Taluk, and for its north eastern boundary a line drawn through Mukkalathur and Mahadevamangalam of Chittoor Taluk, Ramakrishnapuram, Potarajugunta and Peddanagapundi of the Karvetnagar Zemindari and Sholinghur and Kodakal of Wallajah Taluk. Head quarters of the Plague Inspector at Pounai in Chittoor Taluk.

No 4 Velam circle. lying to the south of No 3 circle and having for its northern boundary a line drawn through Melpadi, Rendadi, Kodakal and Pulivalam, for its eastern boundary a line drawn through Pulivalam, Surai, Kalarkuppam, Melviranam, and Serai of Wallajah Taluk; for its southern boundary a line drawn through Serai, Anantalai, and Punji of Wallaja Taluk; and for its western boundary a line drawn through Punji, Mukundarajapuram, Lalapettai,

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and Marudambakkam of Wallajah Taluk and Veppalai and Melpadi of Chittoor Taluk. Head quarters Velam in Wallajah Taluk.

No 5. Ammundi circle. lying to the south of No 3 circle — between circles Nos 1 & 4 and having for its boundary on the south-east, south, and south-west a line drawn through Punji of Wallajah Taluk, Topekhana, Talavur, Kavanur, Kuppam and Venkatapuram of Arcot Taluk and Senganattam and Sathuvachari of Vellore Taluk. Head quarters - Ammundi in Gudiyattam Taluk.

No 6. Pudupadi circle. A triangular area having for its eastern boundary a line drawn through Seri, Kaveripak, and Attipattu of Wallajah Taluk and Esayanur, Arumbakkam and Nagaleri of Arcot Taluk; for the southern boundary, a line drawn through Nagaleri, Sembedu, Palayanur, and Kavanur of Arcot

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Arcot Taluk; and for its north-western boundary a line drawn through Kavanur, Talanur, & Topekhana of Arcot Taluk and Punji, Anantalai and Seri of Wallajah Taluk. Head quarters Pudupadi in Arcot Taluk.

No 7. Tamarapakkam circle bounded on the north by a line drawn through Venkatapuram, Kuppam, Kavanur, Palayanur, Sembedu and Nagaleri of Arcot Taluk, on the east by a line drawn through Nagaleri, Agaram, Kalavaiputtur, Kuttiyam, Aiyaramangalam, Siyambudi of Arcot Taluk and Sathyavijayanagaram, Velapadi and Kondakarai of Arni Jaghire, on the south by a line drawn through Kondakarai, Tirumalasamudram, Ratnamangalam, Agraharapollem and Sirumailur of the Arni jaghire and Kannasamudram in Vellore Taluk and on the west by a line drawn from Kannasamudram in Vellore Taluk

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to Venkatapuram in Arcot Taluk. Head quarters Tamarappakkam in Arcot Taluk.

No 8. Ayyampoliem circle bounded on the east by the southern boundary of circle no 7, on the south by a line drawn through Kondakarai Eduvambodi, Kastambodi, Kaluasal and Velankuppam of Polur Taluk, on the west by a line drawn from Velankuppam through Padavedu and along the foot of the Javadi hills up to the northern boundary; and on the north by a line drawn through Arasampattu, Sinkirikoil, and Kammasamudram of Vellore Taluk. Head quarters Ayyampoliem in Arnijaghire.

No 9 Pennathur circle. lying between circles nos 1 & 8 and bounded on the east by the western boundaries of circles nos 5 and 7 and on the west by a line drawn from the western end of the northern boundary of circle no 8 along the foot of the

Javadi Hills and Pulimedu, Mattur, Abdullapuram, and Sathuvachari in Vellore Taluk. Head quarters Pennathur in Vellore Taluk.

No 10, Agaramcheri circle. lying to the west of circle no 9 and bounded on the south by a line drawn from the point where the western boundary of circle no 9 leaves the foot of the Javadi Hills, through Varadalambat, Agaram, and Tottalam in Vellore Taluk, on the west by a line drawn from Thottalam through Valathur, Settikuppam, and Munjipattu in Gudiyattam Taluk and on the north and east by a line drawn from Munjipattu through Senur, Setuvanda, and Pasumathur in Gudiyattam Taluk and Pallikonda, Elavambodi and Pulimedu in Vellore Taluk. Head quarters Agaramcheri in Vellore Taluk.

No 11. Vadagantangal circle. lying ~~to the north of circle no 10 and~~ between circles Nos 1, 9 and 10 and bounded ~~west of circle no 11, and~~ bounded

~~a~~ bounded on the west and north by a line drawn from Pasumathur through Devarisikuppam, Melmankuppam, and Paramadangi in Gudiyattam Taluk up to the western boundary of circle no 1. Head quarters Vadajantangal in Gudiyattam Taluk.

No 12. Kallapadi circle. lying to the north of circle no 10 and west of circle no 11, and bounded on the north by a line drawn from Mungipattu to Kantalacheruvu in Chittoor Taluk through Modikuppam in Gudiyattam Taluk, and on the north by a line drawn from Kantalacheruvu through Rangasamudram (A.P.) and Voisettipalle, up to Melmankuppam. Head Quarters Kallapadi in Gudiyattam Taluk.

No 13. Siddareddipalle circle bounded on the east, south and west by circles nos 2, 1, 11 & 12 and on the north by a line drawn from Kantalacheruvu, through Ragimanapenta up to Mahasamudram. Head quarters

Siddareddipalle in Chittoor Taluk.

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I have the honor to be,
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Your most obedient servant

Ag. Collector

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