[L. & M. / 5,000—5-4-99.]

Local & Munl. (189) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 751 M

DATED 19—5—99

[Despatch Abstract.]

R. F. Stations in S. Canara Dt.

Ordering the Collector of S. Canara to abolish the R. F. Stations in his district

BACK PAPERS.

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[L. & M.]
250–19-12-98.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings :—

Again G.O., No. 4384 dated 189 .
4825

Again G.O , No. 4904 dated 189 .

Current No. of 189 , dated , from

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" " " 189 , " , "

ORDER. Mis. 751 R 19-5-98.

D 19/5

The following telegram will be despatched to the Collector of South Canara –

" ~~You may~~ "abolish the existing road frontier stations in your district"

(From orders)

Desp.d M. 8th 17/5

17.5.98.

To the Coll. of S. Canara
Copy to the Sany Comm.r } P.f. 1st Q. 2nd & D

Desp.d 20/5.

and to the medical attending officers.

3. No proper observation scheme is in force in the Dt. Regulation 29 (detention of suspicious persons) para 21 of the Madras Plague [illegible] have [illegible] and to enforce it, 5 road inspection stations were opened after the first

D.C.'s Progs No 692 dt 11-4-98.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .

Current No. 4825 of 189 , dated from the

Current No. 4384 4666 4904 of 189 , dated from the

SUBJECT.

Road frontier Inspection Stations South Canara

JHM

FOR ORDERS.

Cur. 4825 is one of the replies to the Plague Commr's Reference calling for reports on the working of road frontier inspn stations and for proposals for reduction of plague expenditure. It was received in this office only on the 4th instant through the Sanitary Commr. All the replies are now being printed & will be soon submitted for orders.

2. There is one point in this Current which requires early decision, as the Collector has already twice telegraphed for orders on it. The point is whether the road frontier stations in S. Canara shall be abolished at once as recommended by the Collector &

and the Dt Medical & Sanitary officer.

3. No proper observation scheme is in force in the Dt. Regulation 29 (detention of suspicious persons – page 21 of the Madras Plague Regulations & Rules) has alone been applied to the Dt, and to enforce it, 5 road inspection stations were opened at the foot of the ghats. Two of these stations, Hosangadi & [illegible] have been already abolished as being useless – (S.C.'s Progs No 621 d/14-3-98), and the Coll. & his D.M. Offr. now recommend the closing of the remaining three on the following grounds:–

S.C.'s Progs No 692 d/16-11-98.
Genl.

(1) The stations have been a failure as people can evade them, there being a number of bypaths as is well [illegible].

(2) S. Canara has trade connection only with the three Mysore Dts of Shimoga, Kadur & Hassan. There has been no plague in Shimoga & none for several months in the other two Dts. In the rest of Mysore the

the disease has been steadily declining.

(3) The traffic along these stations is nil during the monsoon months of June, July and August.

4 Submitted that the Collector's recommendation be accepted & the orders communicated to him by telegram. The opinion of the Plague Comsr. that frontier stations ~~should~~ are a mere waste of money at places where they can be easily evaded has been accepted by the Sanitary Comsr. & by Collrs generally (in the papers referred to in para 1 of this note), and also by Government when declining to introduce an obsn. scheme in the Chingleput Dt. Further S. Canara is so far away from plague centres in Mysore that ~~any~~ road inspection stations are not needed.

G.O. No 418 P. d/17-3-99

12/5/99.

Submitted that the stations in Canara may be abolished. Plague has never yet gone west of Mysore City –

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Yes. HA
16.5.99

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

THE SANITARY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE
Register No. 1892
12 APR 99
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

CURRENT No. 4825

Progs.
Letter
Ref.

From VI

The Collector of
South Canara.

Ref: on C. No. 210/P of 1899.

Dated 8th April 1899.
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SUBJECT.

Road Frontier Inspection Station

Reporting, with reference to Ref: No. 3556 d/23.3.99, on the working of — & requesting sanction for the [illegible]

BACK PAPERS.

No.	Date.
Rep 1076	17-4-99
Go 418 P	17-3-99
Pro 621	4-3-99
Pro 692	16-11-98

FURTHER PAPERS.

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C N 4825

SOUTH CANARA COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Mangalore,
8th Apl 1899.

Ref: on C. No. 210/B of 1899.

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FROM
A. F. Pinhey Esq,
ag COLLECTOR OF SOUTH CANARA,

To
THE ~~SECRITARY TO THE~~ Plague COMMISSIONER OF
Madras.

(Through the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras.)

SIR

In reply to your letter reference on C. No. 3556, dated 23rd March 1899, I have the honor to state as follows:–

2. No Observation Circles have been organised in this District; but there are road frontier inspection stations on the Mysore frontier and plague camps at seaports having frequent direct communication with Bombay and other ports in the Bombay Presidency.

3. First as regards the road frontier inspection stations, two of the five stations originally sanctioned* have been already closed with your sanction conveyed in your Proceedings No. 621, dated 4th March 1899,

* vide your Proceedings No. 692 dated 16th November 1898.

And

and the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and myself agree in thinking that the remaining 3 stations may also be closed at once. I enclose copies of District Medical and Sanitary Officer's letters No. 965, dated 29th March and 1014, dated 5th April 1899 which speak for themselves. He has just returned from an inspection of the station at Sampaje. The present stations must be considered to have been an absolute failure, but the money spent will not have been wasted if we utilize the experience we have bought. The District of Shimoga has been free from plague since the beginning while no cases have occurred in Kadur and Hassan for several months past and these are the three Districts of Mysore which have commerce with our District. In other parts of Mysore also, plague is greatly on the decline and may be expected to die out at no distant date. In any case, we need not, it seems, apprehend much danger from the existence of the plague in these remote parts as
[illegible]

above mentioned which as well as Coorg now serve as a barrier between our District and the plague infected parts. Should occasion arise to try again the Experiment of road frontier stations, I should select more suitable sites and ask for a more Efficient staff. I therefore request your sanction to close the Existing stations at once, and I beg the same may be communicated to me by telegram.

4. As regards the plague camps at the seaports, I am not in favor of abolishing them just yet as plague unfortunately still rages in Bombay between which and Mangalore and some other ports of this District there is constant communication both by steamers belonging to British India Steam Navigation Company and Shephard Company and native vessels. The cost of these stations at present is only Rs 290 per mensem. They will however be closed as usual during the rainy months, June to August, and the necessity or otherwise of reopening them in September next will depend upon the state of the Bombay Presidency then.

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5. When the road frontier inspection stations are closed the extra work connected with plague will diminish greatly in this office, so that I shall be able to abolish one of the two hands sanctioned in G. O. – No. 434, dated 30th January 1899, mis. Revenue, simultaneously with the closure of the said stations. But the services of the other clerk (viz on Rs 30) will be necessary till the end of May as the plague camps at the seaports will be working till then.

6. The savings which will be effected if the above proposals are approved, will amount to Rs 396 per mensem as particularized below:–

	Rs.
(1) Road Frontier Establishment –	339.
(2) Hazur Establishment –	15.
(3) Police Establishment on plague duty at the 3 Frontier stations	42.
	396

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

Ag. Collector.

Copied [illegible] 5.4.58
Compd [illegible]

[illegible] 5.4.58

Enclosure 1 to Letter Ref: R C. No $\frac{210}{2}$ 199.

No 965

Office of the District Medical and Sanitary
Officer, South Canara.
Enclo Mangalore, 29th March 1899.

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From,

Doctor George V. Worthington M.A. M.B.
Ag. District Medical and Sanitary officer,
South Canara.

To

The Collector of South Canara.

Sir,

I beg to state that I have inspected the plague camp at Sampaje on the 20th instant. It appears (1) since the opening of the Station 30 passports only have been issued (2) that passengers coming by that road all come from or through Coorg. In Coorg they have their own plague arrangements and inspectio stations - (3) that there are no less than four bypaths by which persons wishing to avoid inspection and subsequent observation pass into the District.

Bypaths

No 1 From the tollgate of Sampaje via Nellikum[illegible] and Buntodi to Kadpal bridge where it meets the main road at about a mile from here.

No 2 From Bawadka via B[illegible] Nellikum[illegible] and Buntodi to Kadpal bridge where it meets the bypath No 1

No 3 From near Kallugundi bridge via Chemba to main

main road at about ¼ mile from here.

No. 4 From Mercara via Bhagmandal and Thodikan to where it meets the main road at about 9 miles from here.

2 Under these circumstances I should be inclined to recommend that the station be abolished. On the other hand if it is to be maintained and efficiently, I consider that the following are absolutely necessary:–

(1) Repairs

The roofs of both plague and segregation sheds have been in many places partly destroyed by a storm some weeks back and must be repaired. One or two doors also need repairing.

(2) Articles required for use in plague and segregation sheds as per enclosed indent forwarded by Hospital Assistant according to my orders. It is absolutely necessary that every article used in or for the plague sheds shall be kept quite separate from both those of the segregation shed and of the Hospital Assistant's quarters. Therefore in several cases two articles will be required where one might seem sufficient. The same number of articles at least are required at the other plague camps. The medical subordinates have been directed to indent for such of the list as are wanting.

3. It was reported to me while at Sampaje that the "wild fire" sometimes extends to the grassy plots in which the plague and segregation sheds are [illegible] Should this be the case the grass and [illegible] around them should be removed by burning in the usual way.

4. The number of police constables will have to be increased from 2 to 10, two for the road and two for each path.

I have &c

(signed) George V. Worthington M.A. M.B.

Ag. Dt. Medl. and Sany. Officer

South Canara

(True Copy)

A W Sinbey

ag Collector.

cmpd.

Enclosure 2 to Letter Ref: on C. No. $\frac{210}{P}$/99.

No 1014

Office of the Dt. Medical and
Sanitary Officer, South Canara
Mangalore 5th April 1899.

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From
Doctor George V. Worthington, M.A., M.B.
Ag. Dt. Medical & Sanitary Officer,
South Canara

To
The Collector of
South Canara

Sir,

In answer to your Reference on C. No. $\frac{210}{P}$ of 29th March 1899, I have the honor to state that from information received from Hospital Assistant K. Krishna Bhatjee who was at Gundia for nearly two months, from the study of the figures concerning the number of passports issued and received and from what knowledge I possess of the character of the forest jungle, I have gathered the following facts.

At Gundia

1 Bandymen are practically the only persons who receive passports, for it is only those foot travellers who

Office of the Dt. Medical and
Sanitary Officer, South Canara
Mangalore 5th April 1899.

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are in ignorance of the station that come by the road and these are very few indeed, all others avoid it going by a path, which starting at the bridge 1/4 furlongs from the station passes along the river side just behind and close to the Plague shed and leads to Subramania. This path is left for the main road again by travellers for Mangalore between 2 & 3 furlongs beyond the station.

2. It is also quite easy, on account of its character to make any number of paths through the forest.

3. The present staff of 2 Police Constables 1 maistry 1 ward Cooly 1 watchman is absolutely useless for enforcing the regulations when as has happened on several occasions travellers arrive in numbers they simply have to be [illegible] to pass

4. The number of passports issued at Gundia up to 30th March 1899 (inclusive) is 4169. I am informed that more than 3/4 this number travel to Mangalore and are for the most part bandymen who are not detained and who simply receive their passports and keep them not presenting them to any local authority whatever. Of this number 256 only have been recovered in Mangalore.

200 were recovered from the bandymen as they passed out of the District again by the Hospital Assistant in charge; of these 200 not one had been shown to any local authority.

5. No one has been detained.

At Charmadi apparently the same conditions prevail.

1. The character of the forest enables travellers to make any number of paths to avoid inspection.

2. 1134 passports were issued up to 30th March 1899 (incl[illegible]) [illegible] to travellers bound for Mangalore. Of these 134 only have been recovered in Mangalore.

3. No one has been detained.

Having studied the above mentioned facts I have come to the following conclusions.

1 That these two stations and the system of passports as at present worked are quite insufficient.

2. That in their present position owing to the character of the forest it is quite impossible to make either station efficient whatever the number of Police you post there.

Under these circumstances I should recommend that both be abolished either immediately or at any rate at the end of this month when as I am informed practically the whole of the coffee will have come down and therefore most of the traffic ceased. [illegible] the [illegible] the [illegible] practically never show a passport to any local Authority they may just as well be closed

closed at once.

3. If arrangements become necessary another year, I think your suggestion of placing the stations at Beltungady, Uppinangady and Puttur a good one and for this reason that it will be considerably more difficult to make paths to avoid inspection over cultivated and walled in fields and compounds.

4. Personally I cannot see how in a district like this the passport system can work, each traveller mentions the name of any place except that for which he is bound and even if he mentions the place he gives the wrong house or street how can observation be enforced under these conditions?

My [illegible] Lumpaye has [illegible] which [illegible] ined to recommend "that the Station be closed.

I have &c.

(Signed) George F. Muttington M.D.

(Tuesday)

On Tuesday

A/Collector

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PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

SANITARY COMMISSIONER
Register No. 2090.s
24 APR. 99
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

CURRENT No. 438

Urgent

~~Progs.~~
~~Letter~~
Ref.

Forwarded to the Sanitary Commissioner with the request that the Collector's letter Ref. No. 210 P d/ 8-4-99 may be forwarded at an early date.

M S Makaruka
22/4/99
for Plague Commr.

From The Collector of South Canara

Dis No. 57/P/99

Dated 15th April 1899

Received

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22 APR. 1899

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SUBJECT.

Stating in reply to his ref: No. $\frac{3705}{2.4.99}$ that road traffic may be said to be almost nil on the frontier during the monsoon months.

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Ref. on C. No. 3705 - vide ~~Plague Med~~ C. No. 3715

Plague Commissioner's Office,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
Dated 2nd April 1899.

From

L. E. BUCKLEY, Esq., I.C.S.,
Plague Commissioner,

To

The Collector of South Canara.

Sir,

Adverting to the remark on page 5 of your estimate for April 1899, I have the honour to enquire if road traffic ceases entirely in June, July and August on the frontier.

Sd L. B. 2.4.99.

O.C.

Desp 5/4/99

2000. 27—1—99.

Plague Department.

Di No. 57/P D/99

SOUTH CANARA COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Camp, Mangalore 15th April 1899.

FROM

A. J. Pinhey Esq.,

Ag Collector of South Canara,

To

THE Plague Commissioner,

Madras.

Sir,

In reply to your reference on C. No 3705, dated 2nd April 1899, I have the honour to state that road traffic may be said to be almost nil on the frontier during the monsoon months of June, July and August. Apart from this fact I have recommended the closure of these stations at once in my letter Reference on C. No 210/P of 8th April 1899 sent through the Sanitary Commissioner

Report on Road frontier Inspection stations & the remaining circles – with the Commissioner. 24/4/99

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

~~For~~ Ag Collector.

14.4.99.

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DEPARTMENT.

FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF

South Canara,

TO

THE

Plague Commissioner

Madras

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Subject.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

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CURRENT No. 4668

Telegram

From The Collector of South Canara

Order

No.

Dated 1-5-99

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SUBJECT.

Requesting early orders on his letter dt 8th April 1899 about closing of frontier stations.

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To (Person) Plague Commissioner From (Person) Collector

2/5 NHS

my letter× eighth april request early orders about closing frontier stations

× No. 4384 forwarded, in original, to the Sanitary Commissioner on 22-4-99

NHS 2/5/99

Note

The papers are pending with S.C. A reminder was sent to him yesterday.

Put up. Reminder sent to S.C. yesterday

Put up below.

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2/5/99

Await reply

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PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

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CURRENT No. 4904

Telegram

From The Collector of South Canara

Order

No.

Dated 10-5-99

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SUBJECT.

Requesting early orders regarding the closure of frontier inspection sheds.

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To (Person) Plague Commissioner Madras. | From (Person) Collector.

Request early orders about closure of frontier inspection sheds which otherwise will require extensive repairs.

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