

a still longer period viz. Ten days, in addition to the nine days' quarantine imposed upon all arrivals at Penang. From the telegram above referred to, it is clear that the Straits Govt. is under the impression not to deviate from the restrictions placed by the Plague Commission, Madras, while you are pleased to state that the matter is entirely left to that Government. In these circumstances, the recruiting agents, who are bound to satisfy both the authorities, have at least to incur not only a dead loss to themselves but also the displeasure of their Employers in the Straits, because of want of labor in their estates.

Now placing all the above to your valuable consideration, we beg that you will be good enough to instruct the Superintendent of the Negapatam Emigration Depot to discontinue the Ten days' observation, alleged to be, carried out under your orders, and treat the Emigrants, on the same level as other passengers with regard to Plague restrictions, which would render the recruiting system more feasible, and for which we shall feel extremely thankful.

We have the honor to be.

Sir
your most obedient servants.
Prasanna Pathy Piceay & Co
Mace & Co
Recruiting Agents & Representatives
to the Straits Planters.

Copy of telegram received from Penang.

From: Penang.

To: Negapatam.
Ganapathy.

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Plague Commissioners in floras (full instructions
have been given) Hardaker nonentity (nothing
more can be done).

Negapatam 15.3.99.

/True Copy/

Negapatam 16th March 1899.

Prudhupathy Pillay & Co
Mannamannum

No. 2. 20. 147.

S.S. Immigration Office
Negapatnam 1.3.99

Gentlemen,

Adverting to my circular
no. 691 dated 22/12/98 I have the honor
to inform you that the town of Madras
is not infected, but the District as therein
stated. Consequently all coolies brought
from there, 10 days' observation must
be carried out as desired in the Plague
Commissioner's letter, and repeated in
his no. 526 of 27 ultimo.

2/ Coolies brought from Madras
town will, therefore, not be restricted

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient servant

(Sgd) J. Hardacker

Superintendent.

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16th March 93

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Мама и папа

No. A18

From

Immigration Office
Negapatnam 4th Feby 1899

J. O. James Esq
Port Officer & Immigration Agent
Negapatnam

To,

Messrs. M. Ganapathy Pillai & Co.
Negapatnam

Gentlemen,

In reply to your no. $\frac{E2}{442}$
dated 6th Instant. I have the honor to
inform you that as the Plague com-
missioner has advised the Superintendent
S.S. Immigration Depot to detain the coolies
for ten days prior to embarkation. I
consider that he has no alternative but
to carry out his instructions especially as
the plague is indigenous in Vellore and
Arco.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen

Your most obedient servant
(Sgd) J. O. James

Port Officer & Immigration Agent

(True copy)

Negapatnam
16th March 1899

M. Ganapathy Pillai & Co
Mannamam

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

(1899)

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 772

Dated

18.3.99

Despatched

18.3.99

Indexed H.S. 18.3.99

[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing the Recruiting Agents & Representatives to the
Strait Settlements, Negapatam, that the Plague Commissioner
issued no instructions to the Superintendent of ^{the} Immigration
Depot Negapatam, for detaining passengers for 10 days observation
and that the Superintendent is free to exercise his own
discretion in the matter.

BACK PAPERS.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

No.	Date.	No.	Date.
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PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

For orders.

CURRENT No. 3249

17/3/99

From

Messrs. M. Ganapathy & Co.
Recruiting Agents and Repre-
sentatives to the Straits Planters
Nagapattam.

Order No 772 of 18-3-99
gentlemen

No. E. 2
483.

With reference to
your letter No E 2
of 16-3-99

Dated 16-3-99

Received 17-3-99

Registered 17-3-99

Not to say that I

have issued no instruction

Enclosures

to the Immigration Agent

Spare copies

at Nagapattam. He asks

my opinion & I have

given it. He is free to

exercise his own discretion
in the matter.

18/3

To Messrs. Ganapathy & Co.
18/3/99

SUBJECT.

Requesting to instruct the
Superintendent of the
Nagapattam Emigration
Depot to discontinue the
10 days' observation alleged
to be carried out under P. Co
orders and treat the
emigrants on the same
level as other passengers
with regard to plague restric-
tions.

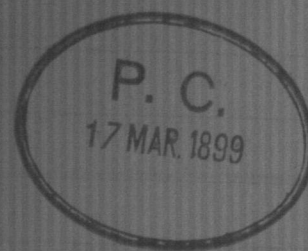
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FURTHER PAPERS.

No.	Date.

M. ANAPATHY PILLAY & CO.,
NEGAPATAM, KARIKAL
AND
TIRUAMLVASAL.
Telegraphic Address,
GANAPATHY.
SCOTT'S CODE (Sixth Edition),
AND
A. B. C. CODE (Fourth Edition).



No. *ED 183*

Negapatam, 16th March 1899

The Plague Commissioner
Madras.

Sir,

I am acknowledging receipt of your favor. No 287, dated 31st January last, we have the honor to bring to your notice that, as directed by you, a reference was made to the Straits Government for removing the 10 days' observation which the Superintendent of the Depot alleges to carry out under your instructions, of all the coolies arriving at the Negapatam Emigration Depot from infected area. We beg to hand you herewith copy of a telegram received by us yesterday from Penang, and also copies of letters from the Emigration agent, and the Superintendent of the Depot. The free passengers proceeding to Straits in immense numbers by the same steamer do not undergo any such observation prior to embarkation & it is the same case with the free coolies, whereas it is strange that the Statute Emigrants who, are usually, admitted into the Depot on the fourth day preceding that of embarkation, are subject to detention of