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G.O., No. 823, 21st September 1897.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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Revised Quarantine Regulations

Observing that the interpretation placed by the Government of India on rule 15 (3) of the — issued with G.O., No. 745, Marine, dated 23rd August 1897, is in accordance with the intention of the Madras Government, and directing that the modification of rule 15 (5) proposed by that Government be adopted and notified.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Sanitary), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Marine Department, dated Simla, 8th September 1897, No. 2091.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your endorsement, No. 746, Marine, dated the 23rd August, forwarding a copy of the notification of the Government of Madras, No. 745, Marine, of the same date, prescribing temporary regulations to be observed in all ports of the Madras Presidency to prevent the introduction of plague.

2. The regulations appear to the Government of India to be generally well adapted for the protection of the ports in the Madras Presidency, on the principles laid down in the Venice Sanitary Convention of March 1897. I am to make the following observations with regard to two of the rules: (i) rule 15 (3) provides that the healthy persons on board an infected ship shall, if possible, be disembarked for the purpose of being kept under *observation* or *surveillance*, and rule 15 (4) describes the manner in which the *observation* should be carried out on shore or on board the vessel. In paragraph 11 of my letter, No. 1624, dated the 1st June, stress was laid on the importance of landing the persons from an infected ship instead of detaining them on board. The Government of India understand that rule 15 (3) is intended to prohibit the detention of healthy persons on board an infected ship except when, through stress of weather or some other cause, it is absolutely impossible to land them. (ii) rule 15 (5) authorizes the Port health officer to place under observation persons from a *healthy* or *suspected* vessel for a term not exceeding ten days from the arrival of the vessel in port. This authorization goes beyond the provisions of the Venice Convention, which limit the medical supervision of the crew and passengers of a healthy ship to ten days from the date of departure from the infected port. The first portion of rule 15 (5), which deals with the subject of the surveillance of passengers, prescribes the period authorized by the Convention, and the Government of India consider that the second portion of the rule should be modified in the sense of the first portion. The modification could be effected by substituting for the words "for a term not exceeding ten days from such vessels arriving at the port," the words "for the above-mentioned terms" or other words to a like effect.

ORDER—No. 823, Marine, dated 21st September 1897.

His Excellency the Governor in Council observes that the interpretation placed by the Government of India on rule 15 (3) is in accordance with the intention of the Madras Government. Under the rule in question, all persons on board an infected vessel are, if possible, to be landed.

2. The proposed modification of rule 15 (5) will be adopted, and the rule amended accordingly.

Ordered that the following notification be published :—

NOTIFICATION.

Erratum.

In rule 15 (5) of the temporary regulations to prevent the introduction of plague into the ports of the Madras Presidency, and published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of the 31st August 1897, Part I, pages 1117 to 1119—
For the words "for a term not exceeding ten days from such vessel's arrival at the port",
Read "for the above-mentioned terms."

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent, Government Press.
" the Surgeon-General with Government.
" the Presidency Port Officer.
" the Sanitary Commissioner, through the Public Department.
" Collectors of Maritime Districts.
" the Local and Municipal Department.
" the Revenue Department.
" the Public Department.
" other Governments, with C.L.

Edw. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

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" 1897 , " 15th Sep. 1897 : " the Govt. of India.

ORDER. 823 Marine d/21st Sept 1897

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To
The Supt. Govt. Press. ✓
,, Surgeon-General with Govt. ✓
,, Presy. Port Officer. ✓
,, Sanitary Commissioner, thro' ✓
the Public Department. ✓
,, Collectors of Maritime Dts. ✓
,, Local & Muni. Department. ✓
,, Revenue Department. ✓
,, Public Department. ✓
Other Govts. with C.L. ✓

H.E. No. 824 Marine dated 21st Sept. 1897

To
The Secretary to the
Government of India,
Home Department.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 2031 dated 8th September 1897 communicating certain observations of the Government of India in regard to the temporary regulations issued by the Madras Government to prevent the introduction of plague into the ports of this Presidency.

2. In reply, I am to say that the interpretation placed by the Government of India on Rule 15(3) is in accordance with the intention of the Madras Government. Under the Rule in

question, all persons on board an infected vessel are, if possible, to be landed.

3. The proposed amendment of Rule 15(5) has been adopted, and an erratum, of which I am to enclose a copy herewith, has been issued accordingly.

I have &c.

Deshd
21/9/97

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R.S.

No.
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
HOME DEPARTMENT.

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
BOMBAY, MARINE DEPARTMENT.

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
BENGAL, MARINE DEPARTMENT.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE N. W. PROVINCES AND OUDH.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE PUNJAB.

THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSIONER OF SINDH.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF COMMIS-
SIONER, CENTRAL PROVINCES.

THE SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER,
ASSAM.

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE CHIEF COMMISS-
SIONER, BURMA.

THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE AND CHIEF COMMIS-
SIONER OF COORG.

THE RESIDENT AT HYDERABAD.

THE AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN
CENTRAL INDIA.

THE AGENT TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL FOR
THE STATES OF RAJPUIANA.

The Agent to the Gov. General for Beluchistan
SIR, *Honble the* *Colonel Secy, Calcutta.*

I am directed to forward, for the information
of _____,
a copy of the Proceedings of this Government
quoted in the margin containing a notification
issued by His Excellency the Governor in Coun-
cil to prevent the spread of epidemic diseases.

I have, &c.,

[Signature]
for M.

G.O. 823, Marine, d/21.9.97

13/10/97

Marine (1897) Department.

The Hon. Mr. Henry John R.C. 98

CURRENT No. 1234

For orders

whether the proviso in para 2
as to detaining persons on board
an infected ship may be
adopted, and an instruction
issued accordingly. It does
not seem necessary to alter the
Order Rules on this point.

Of course this is what Reg. 15 (2) means
tell India so - I don't see that any
instruction is needed. The Reg. is clear: the
people are, if possible, to be disembarked. If he
does not land them, the Port Health Officer will
have to show why it is not possible to do so.

From

The Government of India
Home Department

Attention is also
drawn to the proposed altera-
tion of Rule 15 (5)

You have an
signature No. 2091

15/9/97

Dated 8-9-97

Received

Registered } 15-9-97

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SUBJECT.

Revised Quarantine Regulations

Passing remarks on certain
rules contained in the
issued with G.O. 745 Marine
dated 23rd August 1897.

H. M. 15.9.97 R 17.9.97

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No. 2091

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Secretary to the Government of India.

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Home Department.

(Sanitary)

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. P. Hewitt.

Secretary to the Government of India.

H.B.

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DEPARTMENT.

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Press
Miscellaneous No. 8234, dated 21-9-1909
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