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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 78 M.

DATED 14-1-98.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Balionic plague

Stating that the suggestion of the Sanitary Commr. regarding the employment of Dr. Baunerman will be considered when the plague attacks Madras & requesting the Surgeon Genl. to report how far Dr. Baunerman has utilized his opportunities in the preparation of the plague prophylactic & in the general conduct of plague affairs.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings :—

Again G.O., No. dated 189 .
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 Current No. 4222 M of 1897, dated 6th Decr. 1897, from the Sanitary Commissioner
 " " 4344 M., 1897, " 17th Decr. 1897, " " Surgeon-General.
 " " " 189 , " " "

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The suggestions made by the Sanitary Commissioner will be considered when the plague attacks Madras, if it should do so.
 2. Meanwhile, the Surgeon-General is requested to report at a very early date, how far Dr. Bannerman has utilised his opportunities not only in the preparation of the prophylactic under Dr. Haffkine, but also in the general conduct of plague affairs, such as the organisation of hospitals and the conduct of house searches and quarantine and Segregation Camp arrangements in towns and villages.

To The Surgeon-General PFO
 " Sanitary Commissioner
 14/1/28
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(From Orders)

H.T.
 14.1.28

C. No. 222 M. 4544 N.

SUBJECT.

Re: Dr. Bannerman's
employment.

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FOR ORDERS.

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This matter can, I consider, be left for disposal when the plague attacks Madras, if it ever does. In the meantime, please find out how far Dr. Bannerman has utilized his opportunities, not only in the preparation of the prophylactic under Dr. Haffkine, but also in the general conduct of plague affairs - the organization of hospitals, & the conduct of house searches & quarantine and segregation camp arrangements in towns & villages.

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In para. 2 of his letter N^o 395 dated 20th October 1897, the Surgeon-General stated that he did not agree with the Sanitary Commissioner in considering that Dr. Bannerman should remain in Bombay to assist Dr. Haffkine in manufacturing the supply of the prophylactic required for this Presidency, and thought that he (Dr. Bannerman) would be more useful in Madras on special plague duty in directing and supervising inoculations and in conducting the special hospitals that would have to be opened if the plague became epidemic. The Government, however, in para. 3 of its order N^o 2448 M dated 6th November 1897, directed that Dr. Bannerman should, for the present, remain in Bombay whence he could be recalled by telegram.

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should his presence be required in Madras for the purpose mentioned by the Surgeon General.

2. In the first of the letters read above, the Sanitary Commissioner suggests that if the intention of Government to place Dr. Bannerman at the service of the President of the Madras Municipality for charge of plague hospitals be adhered to, then an officer should be appointed to act as Deputy Sanitary Commissioner during the period of Dr. Bannerman's employment on, what is to all intents and purposes, medical and not, sanitary duty. In the opinion of the Sanitary Commissioner, the employment of Dr. Bannerman in the manner suggested by the Surgeon General implies a waste of the special training for which he has, for several months, been detached from his office and he therefore thinks that the bacteriological knowledge which he has acquired will be of special utility in ascertaining, under the Sanitary Commissioner's orders on receipt of reports of suspected plague, whether the disease really existed and in assisting the Sanitary Commissioner in sanitary

measures on the spot. The Sanitary Commissioner also states that it will be impossible for him single-handed to attend to this work which, on the approach of plague will be frequent and heavy and that although the town of Madras may become the centre of infection it is but a single spot in the Presidency and is already ^{fully} provided with medical officers who ought to require no coaching in the management of a hospital for plague or any other infectious disease. The Sanitary Commissioner's letter having been referred to the Surgeon General for remarks, the latter states that he fully concurs with the Sanitary Commissioner in considering that if Dr. Bannerman's services are retained in Madras for plague duty a well-qualified Deputy Sanitary Commissioner should be appointed to act for him. It seems better to allow Dr. Bannerman to assist the Sanitary Commissioner and to appoint a Special Officer for Madras, if one is found to be necessary.

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Current No. 1444 of 1897
Plague
Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 4222 *M*



TO BE RETURNED
WITH REPLY.

No. 1288 of 9-12-97
Order.

Referred to the Surgeon-General for
remarks.

P.A.
5/12/97

H. Trevellick
Ag. Secretary to Government.

From
The Sanitary Commissioners
for Madras.
7- DEC. 1897
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT
No. 2503
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Dated 6th December 1897

Received 7th Dec. 1897

Registered 7th Dec. 1897

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SUBJECT.

Submitting remarks with reference
to G.O. No. 2448 in dated 6. 11. 97
regarding the proposal of the
Surgeon General with the Govern-
ment of Madras to place the
Deputy Sanitary Commissioners
at the service of the President
Municipal Commission Madras
for charge of plague hospitals.

To
The Surgeon-General.

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OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,

Fort St. George, 6th December 1897.

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
4222/M

From

SURGEON-LIEUT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,

SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE

Secretary to Government,
Local & Municipal Department

Enclosure.

SIR,

Para 3 of letter
of the Sanitary Comm.
with the for. of
M. S. No 395
dated 20th Oct 1897.
in G.O. 2448M
6-11-97

With reference to G. O. N. 2448M
dated 6th November 1897 in which it
is proposed by the Surgeon General
to place the Deputy Sanitary
Commissioner at the service of the
President of the Municipality for
charge of plague Hospitals, I have the
honor respectfully to request that if
this intention be adhered to, Government
will be pleased to appoint an officer
who can act as my Deputy during the
employment of Surgeon Major Bannerman,
on what is to all intents and purposes Medical
and not Sanitary duty.

2. In my opinion, the utilizing
of Surgeon Major Bannerman in
the manner suggested by the Surgeon
General implies a waste of the
Special training for which he has during
several

several months been detached from this office. The knowledge that he has devoted himself to acquiring is bacteriological. His services would therefore be of special utility in ascertaining under my orders, on receipt in this office of reports of suspected plague whether this disease really existed, and assist me in sanitary measures on the spot. I need not say that, on the approach of plague, such rapid enquiries undertaken with this object will probably be frequent, and that it will be impossible for me alone to attend to this important requirement. That the town of Madras may become centre of infection there can be no doubt, but it is but a single spot in this large Presidency, and is already fully provided with medical officers who, so far as management of a plague or any other infectious disease - Hospital is concerned, ought to require no coaching.

3. A Deputy Sanitary Commissioner was, I believe, placed at the disposal of the Bombay Municipality during the height of the epidemic, but not one but four are available in that Presidency, which I need not remind Government is

is both in population and area smaller than Madras.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

W. H. Murray

Surg. Lieut. Col.
Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras.

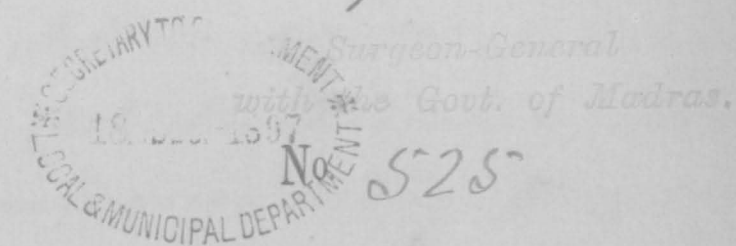
Plague
Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 4344 M

Order

From

Surgeon-Major-General
C. Sibthorpe C.B. F.R.C.S.



Dated

17 December 1897.

Received

18-12-1897

Registered

18-12-1897

Enclosures

C. No 4222 M rectd

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SUBJECT.

Stating that ^{he} ~~this office~~ concurs with the Sanitary Commissioner in the proposal of retaining Dr. Bannerman's services for Plague duty in Madras, but with the remark that a well qualified Dy. Sanitary Commissioner should be appointed to act for him.

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No. 525

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, C.B., F.R.C.P.I.

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local & Municipal

DEPARTMENT,

SIR,

In returning your endorsement no. 1288, dated the 9th December 1897, I have the honor to state that I fully concur with the Sanitary Commissioners that if Surgeon-Major Bannerman's services are retained in Madras for Plague duty, a well qualified Deputy Sanitary Commissioner should be appointed to act for him.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. Sibthorpe

Surgeon-Major-General

Surgeon-General

with the Govt. of Madras.

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READ AGAIN G.O., No. 189
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