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[Despatch Abstract.]

*Reply to the com-
plaint of the Rangoon
authorities in regard to
want of attention to
call for medical aid
during the recent out-
break of cholera at
Johaspur —*

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Public DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 18, No.

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Current No. 2603 of 1891, dated 5 Sep. from the P. W. D. (Ry Bh)

Current No. 2797 of 1891, dated 19 Sep. from the Surg. Genl.

Order 14 Oct 91 p 872

Recorded with the
remark that the
allegations of the Rail-
way authorities are not
altogether borne out by
the facts of the case, but
at the same time the
arrangement under
which a medical subor-
dinate from Trupatur
was at Jolarpet for an
hour or so per diem was
in the opinion of Govt,
quite inadequate and
very little use in aid
of the Railway Apothec-
ary.

From orders

No 697/1891

From

My

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The District Medical and
Sanitary Officer, Salem

To

The Secretary to Surin General
with the Govt. of Madras
Madras

Ref No 1473

Dated 19 September 1891

Enclosure 2.

Reference

Your memo no. 5121 dated
the 14. Instant.

Subject

Reporting about the occurrence
of Cholera in Jolarpet and
the steps taken.

No. 9/144
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Forwarded to the Chief
Secretary to Govt. Public
Department - with reference
to his Inst. dated the 10
Sept 1891 - here with
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The Surgeon General
with Govt of Madras
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By the P. W. D. (Ry Bh)
Surg. Genl.

apothecary from Timpatur whose report is herewith forwarded do not seem to have met with the appreciation they deserved and it is not apparent that the Railway apothecary had more work to perform than might reasonably be expected under the circumstances as the sickness lay in a circumscribed area.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

M. R. Henderson

Surgeon Major
District Medical Officer.

To send the Civil apothecary from Timpatur daily to attend to the sick and that as the cases were few this arrangement would suffice. On the 10 August I received the Agents' telegram and imagined it referred to these cases, amongst the passengers already mentioned and not having the services of a Hospital assistant at my disposal considered the arrangement made by the President of the Taluk Board Timpatur would suffice and replied to the Agent accordingly and not having received any further application or intimation of an increase of the disease, ^{no further steps were taken} beyond asking you to send additional aid, but on the 17 August the President of the Taluk Board Timpatur informed me there were several cases of Cholera amongst the Railway employees and that the previous arrangements were not sufficient as Cholera had appeared in Timpatur but knowing a Railway apothecary resided at Jollerpet and that the sick were not unaided and having already asked for additional aid, I had to wait till it became available and on the 29 August a Civil apothecary's services were placed at the disposal of the President of the Taluk Board Timpatur for Cholera duty but in the meantime the outbreak at Jollerpet had ceased.

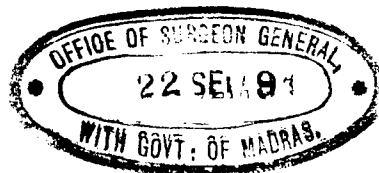
3. The services rendered by the Civil
apothecary

Refon No. 1473.

District Medical Officer
Salem 19 September.

From

The District Medical and Sanitary Officer
Salem



To

The Secretary to the Surgeon General
with the Government of Madras
Madras.

Sir,

*herewith returned

In reply to your office memo. No. 5721 dated the 14th instant forwarding letter No. $\frac{7007}{916}$ dated the 26th August from the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company to the Consulting Engineer for Railways Madras, I have the honor to report that beyond the telegram received from the Agent on the 10th August and my reply of the same day no correspondence has passed between me and the Railway Authorities and consequently there is no foundation whatever for the assertion made by the Railway Medical Officer in his letter to the Agent that "notwithstanding repeated applications this additional medical aid which was very urgently required at one period, was never sent".

2. On the 6th August I received information from the President of the Tahsil Board Tirupattur that four cases of Cholera had occurred at Jollerpet amongst Railway passengers and that he had arranged

From.

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No 157.

Municipal Hospital

Tripalati



17 - September 1891

From

The Civil Apothecary
Tripalati

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The District Medical & Sanitary Officer
Palani.

Sir

With reference to your Portland dated 16 Sept 1891 I beg to report that in obedience to orders from the Tripalati Taluk Board President, I visited Jalarpet on 5th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 17th Aug 1891, leaving Tripalati on each occasion by the 12 o'clock noon train and returning at 2 P.M. On each of my visits I went and saw the cholera patients located in the shed under Mr Ellis' treatment, attended to the sanitation of the building and the sanitary disposal of all excreta of the patients. Made a personal inspection of the Railway yard & village of Jalarpet on each occasion, and treated several cases that were reported to me within Railway premises. I enclose is a list of cases treated by me.

Date	Name	Age	Sex	Result
13.1 treated by Apothecary Ellis	Mr Vincent (sun collapsed)	29-	m.	died
9.8	Mr Kitchin	24-	m.	cured
9.8	Perumal (Colapsed)	22-	m.	died
11.8	Chengadu	7-	f.	died
12.8.	Narisenen	48-	m.	cured
12.8.	Thoyee	24-	f.	cured

I beg to remain
Your most obedient servant
Gesthupura
Civil Apothecary

From

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER

FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras.

No.

759

Dated

28th

August 1891.

Received

No. of Enclosure. (2.)

Subject.

Submitting for orders, letters from the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, re: Cholera at Jalarpet.

Transferred

Form No. 3.

900/112

No. 825 D dated 5th Sep. 1891.



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Transferred to the Public Department for such action as may be considered necessary. It would appear that the epidemic of cholera at Jalarpet severely taxed the staff of the Medical Department, Madras Railway, and that the promised assistance from the Head Assistant Collector Tripalati was never sent.

W. Monks Lt Col. R.E.

Mr. J. J. Jey. to Govt. P. & A. Dept.

Referred to the Surgeon General for report with advertisement to f.o. of 15.8.91. No. 699.

10th Sep 1891

Chief Secretary

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

OFFICE OF CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, 28th August 1891.

Letter from the Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway, No 916, dated 26th August
1891, with enclosure.

No. 759.

SUBMITTED

for the orders of

Government.

W. L. M. M.

Captain R. C.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated

26th August 1891

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No.

916.

Regarding Shobwa
at Palaypet

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"a single visit to the station by the
"Hospital Assistant of Vaniyambadi
"on the afternoon of the 15th. Instant
"can be so considered. Had I had
"reason to doubt that additional
"medical aid would be afforded
"by the Salem District Medical
"Officer, I should have applied to
"you for sanction to temporarily
"entertain an apothecary for
"special duty".

5. I shall be glad if you will
call the attention of the Medical Officer
at Salem to this as promises of aid are
not of much use unless they are better
carried out than in the present instance.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Francis R. Hann

Agent & Manager.

2. On the 10th Instant I telegraphed to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer Salem as follows:—

"Your letter dated seventh February last to Surgeon General. Additional medical aid urgently wanted to deal with Cholera cases at Jalarpet. Please send Hospital Assistant at once."

3. To this I received on the same date the following reply:—

"Head assistant collector at Tirupatur has arranged for an Apothecary to help the Railway Apothecary."

4. You will see however that the Company's Medical Officer in his letter N^o. 759 dated 25th August 1891 (copy enclosed) writes as follows:—

"Notwithstanding repeated applications this additional medical aid, which was very urgently required at one period, was never sent, unless

(A. & M. I.)

No 7087
916.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 26th August 1891.

From

The Agent and Manager,
M. R. Coy.

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Madras.

SIR,

I have the honour to invite your attention to the following paragraph in a letter from the District Medical and Sanitary Officer Salem, which is quoted in Government Order N^o. 661 R dated 13th March forwarded to me with your endorsement N^o. 35 of 17th idem:—

"There is a cholera shed at Jalarpet but no permanent establishment is maintained, but the Railway Apothecary can employ attendants when necessary and supply any food or medical comforts and recover the cost from the collector and also when necessary additional medical aid will be sent."

I am glad to be able to report that all my staff acquitted themselves well in a very trying time, and I would specially mention the services of Mr. Ellis the apothecary who although exceedingly hard worked was unremitting in his attendance upon the sick and unusually successful in his treatment. In this connection I would remind you that at my request you telegraphed on the 10th Instant to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer Salem requesting him to make immediate arrangements to send additional medical aid to Jalarpet in accordance with his letter No. 11465 of 7th February 1891, to the Secretary to the Surgeon General with Government of Madras. Notwithstanding repeated applications this additional medical aid, which was very urgently required at one period, was never sent, unless a single visit to the station by the Hospital Assistant of Vaniyambadi on the afternoon of the 15th Instant can be so considered. Had I had reason to doubt that additional medical aid would be afforded by the Salem District Medical Officer, I should have applied to you for sanction to temporarily entertain an apothecary for special duty.

(True copy)

Francis W. Hanna

Agent & Manager.

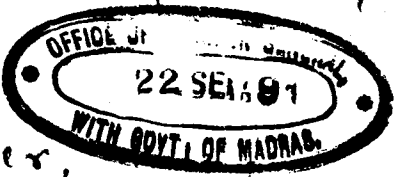
Yours &c.
H. Leslie Ansted,
Medical Officer,
Madras Railway

Madras Railway Company.
Medical Officer's Office,
Rayapuram, 25 August 1891.

No. 759.

To

The Agent & Manager,
Madras Railway.



Dear Sir, Cholera at Jalarpet.

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Epidemic which has lately visited Jalarpet has apparently abated, no fresh cases having occurred since the 14th Instant while all the patients then under treatment are now convalescent.

The epidemic has been a severe one although it has extended over a period of 14 days only. It commenced on the 4th August on which date four passengers from Nolar Road suffering from Cholera were removed from the train. The total number of cases which occurred during the 14 days was 65 of which 20 terminated fatally. Eleven of these were passengers by train, of whom six died. The remaining 54 cases occurred amongst our staff in Jalarpet Station and included seven Eurasians of whom four died, and 49 natives of whom 10 only died. This mortality of something less than 30 per cent is unusually low.

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in their ~~allegations~~ ~~to~~ ~~the~~ ~~4~~ ~~20~~
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has been the arrangement made
under which a medical subordinate
from Tripura was at Palampur
for some time or so his claim was
quite inadequate being little use
in aid of the railway apothecary

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9 Oct

Medical aid during
recent outbreak of
cholera at Solapur

Hon: Mr. Stokes C.S.

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Public
~~Sanitation~~ Dept.

Current No. 2797.

The Medical Dept
replicates to the charge
brought against it by
Dr. Austed in regard
to want of attention to
calls for medical assist-
ance during the recent
outbreak of cholera at
Solarpet. Apparently
Dr. Austed was not aware
of the facts of the case
when he wrote as he
did. It is no doubt
unadvisable to let
discussions of the sort
continue to an unne-
cessary length, but ^{in view} to
save trouble in future
similar cases it is
submitted that the
papers may be sent
to the Railway Dept for
any further remarks
the Railway authorities
may have to offer.

J.B.
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The Railway authorities of the