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Sanitary Comm<sup>n</sup> for Madras  
forwarding copy of a  
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to all Port Medical  
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From W. G. King M.B., C.S., D.P.  
SURGEON LIEUT.-COL. J. A. LALING,  
SANTARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To THE Chief Secretary  
to Government  
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information of Government.  
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to Port Medical officers  
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OFFICE OF SANITARY COMMISSIONER,  
*Camp Periyakulam*  
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From

SURGEON LIEUT.-COL. W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,  
*By:* SANITARY COMMISSIONER FOR MADRAS,

To

THE

*Chief Secretary*  
*to Government*  
*Public Department*

enclosure./

SIR,

With reference to the prevalence of "plague" at Hong Kong and Bharwal, I have the honor to forward for the information of Government the accompanying copy of a letter I have addressed to all Port Medical Officers.

I have the honor to be,  
Sir,

Your most obedt. Servant

*W. G. King*

*Surgeon Lieut. Col.*

*Encl. I*

*By Sanitary Commissioner No. 1224 of 30.6.94*

*for the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras*

No. 1223  
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Office of Sanitary Comm<sup>r</sup>  
Fort St George 30<sup>th</sup> June 1894.

From

Surgeon Lieut Col W. G. King M.B., C.M., D.P.H.  
Sanitary Commissioner, Madras.

To

The Port Medical Officers

Madras, Cochin, Calicut, Cutchin  
& Mangalore

Sir,

I have the honour to remind you of the existence of bubonic plague in Hong-Kong and Shantung, at a period corresponding roughly with the usual cycle of activity of this disease. So far as I am aware, "plague" has never appeared in this Presidency, although certain areas of the Bombay Presidency have suffered in past years; further direct intercourse with Hong-Kong must be very rare. Considering, however, the infectious nature of the disease and the rapidity of communication in the present day whilst there is no cause for alarm there would seem at least reason for watchfulness. It is self-evident that should the disease effect a landing in any of our ports, it ought to find a congenial home in the filthy surroundings usually existing.

2. Under the circumstances, I would advise you to keep yourself in communication with the Port Officer, with the object of ascertaining to what extent intercourse exists in respect to passengers and merchandize with Hong-Kong, and of ensuring segregation should any attack come to your notice.

I have the honour to be, Sir

Yours faithfully

W. G. King