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G.O., No. 205

DATED 20th March 1895

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[Despatch Abstract.]

DR. MUELLER'S METHOD OF TREATING SNAKE-BITE.

Communicating to the Surgeon-General letter from the Government of India stating that that Government does not, for the present, propose to prohibit the continuance of the trials of---

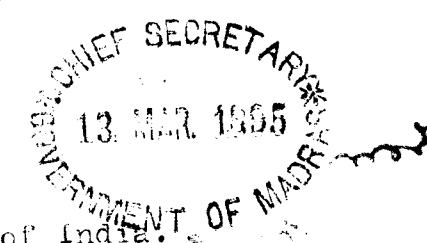
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From

H. Luson, Esq.

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Home Department.

(Medical)

Calcutta, the 8th March 1895.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 116, dated the 13th ultimo, I am directed to say that the Government of India do not propose to prohibit the continuance of the trials suggested in the communication from this Department margin-

ally noted with a view to testing Doctor Muller's method of treating

snake bite by injections of strychnine until they have received and considered the results of the further trials.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

H. Luson

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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General with reference to S.O.
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The Govt. of India

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To The Surgeon

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Subject.

Allowing trials of injections
of strychnine by way of treat-
ment in cases of Snakebite
till the results of further
trials are known.

22ND SEPTEMBER 1894, No. 700, PUBLIC.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From J. P. HEWETT, Esq., C.I.E., Offg. Secretary to the Government of India,
Home Department (Medical), to the Chief Secretary to the Government of
Madras, dated Simla, 6th September 1894, No. 6-Medical—528.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter, No. 204 (Public),
dated 29th March 1894, on the subject of the trials which have been made with a
view to testing Dr. Mueller's method of treating snake-bite by injections of strychnine,
I am directed to state that the Government of India are advised that the
reports furnished do not contain sufficient material to admit of an opinion being
formed of the efficacy or otherwise of the treatment, and I am to request that the
trials may be continued till the end of the year 1895.

2. In many of the reports submitted by medical officers who had occasion
to resort to Dr. Mueller's method of treatment, it has been observed that the clinical
data furnished were very meagre. It is essential that before a case successfully
treated can be considered to afford evidence in favour of a particular remedy it
should be established, viz.—

- (a) that the person was efficiently bitten ;
- (b) that the snake was a poisonous one, i.e., one the efficient bite of which
is fatal ;
- (c) that the snake was in full venom, i.e., not exhausted or sickly ; and
- (d) that the symptoms exhibited were those of snake-bite.

It is further necessary that the observer should be competent, and that full
and careful particulars should be given of the existence of the bite, the quantity
of the drug administered, the variety of the snake, whether it was found and
thoroughly identified, and the time that intervened between the infliction of the bite
and the beginning of the treatment. An accurate description of the symptoms should
also be given.

3. I am to request that the necessity for the careful collection of these particulars
may be impressed upon medical officers, and that the results of the further trials
now called for may be submitted for the information of the Government of India as
soon after the close of the year 1895 as convenient.

ORDER—dated 22nd September 1894, No. 700, Public.

Communicated to the Surgeon-General for guidance, and in view to the issue
of the requisite instructions.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.

Exd. A. Baill.

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Dr. Mueller's method of treating
Snake-bite.

Communicating to the Surgeon-General letter from the Government of India requesting that the trials of — may be continued till the end of 1895, and that the necessity for the careful collection of certain particulars may be impressed upon medical officers.

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