

Public Works (1897) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Bubonic Plague

Pres. L. & Co. Dept. recording letter from the Govt. of Bombay forwarding for information certain notifications issued by that Govt. under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897. Communicated to the Ry. Board concerned.

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GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 13th November 1897.

No. 6243.—4133-P.—The following rules under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, are sanctioned for the better protection of Panchgani and Mahábaleshvar from plague :—

“1. Visitors to Panchgani or Mahábaleshvar residing in Poona City or in the Poona Cantonment, or within the Poona Suburban Municipal limits, must, if they take with them any servants or attendants, see that their servants and attendants, whether accompanying them or not, are provided with a certificate from the Poona Plague Committee or a Plague Authority authorized by that Committee, showing whether any case of plague has occurred among the servants or attendants of such visitors or in the visitors' compound or among the relations of the servants living within the limits of the Poona City or Suburban Municipalities or the Cantonment, and the date of the case (if any).

“2. For the purpose of the last rule, the date entered should be the date of removal to hospital, or if the patient died before segregation, the date of death.

“3. When the certificate shows that a case of plague has occurred under the circumstances mentioned in Rule (1) within ten days of the date of a visitor's departure from Poona for Panchgani or Mahábaleshvar, the visitor's servants and attendants will be detained in the camp of observation at either Panchgani or Mahábaleshvar for a period of eight days for observation and disinfection.

“4. When the certificate shows that a case has occurred not more than a month but not less than ten days before the date of departure, the servants and attendants will be detained at the camp of observation only so long as may be necessary to disinfect them and their clothing, bedding, &c. This would ordinarily not involve a delay of more than a few hours. In other cases servants and attendants will be passed under the existing rules regarding surveillance.

“5. Servants and attendants unprovided with certificates will be treated under Rule (3).

“6. In addition to the certificates prescribed in Rule (1) above, every servant and attendant referred to in that rule must be provided with a certificate furnished by a Medical officer empowered in such behalf by the Poona Plague Committee declaring that he or she was within twenty-four hours of the time of intended departure from Poona in good health and free from fever or any suspicious symptom.

“7. The above rules shall also apply to the cantonment of Kirkee, substituting the words ‘the Chief Plague Authority, Kirkee,’ for the words ‘Poona Plague Committee’ wherever they occur.”

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

A. C. LOGAN,

Acting Secretary to Government.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper:—

From the Secretary to Government, General Department, Bombay,

No. 4212, dated 17th November 1897.

I am directed to forward, for the information of the

No. 6243/4133 P, dated 13th November 1897.

Government of Madras,

the marginally noted Notifications issued by this Government under

the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.

Order No. 2590 M.Mis., dated 23rd November 1897.

Recorded.

(True extract)

Secretary to Government.

To

The Public Works Department (Railway Branch).

„ Surgeon-General.

„ Sanitary Commissioner.