

Public Works (1897) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 1138. R

DATED 15th Decr 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Bubonic Plague

Pres. Ld. Dept. forwarding letter from the
Resident in Mysore urging that orders be issued
to the effect that the Police should telegraph to
Yarwantpur or Bangalore the name & other
particulars regarding any person who having come
from the Bombay Presidency alights at any sta-
tion in this ~~Mysore~~ Presidency & rebooks there-
at to any station in the Mysore State, commd.
to the Insp. Genl of Police & the Dy. Adm. Commr.
for Mysore

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The Resident in Mysore.

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SUBJECT.

Urging
stating that orders ~~##~~ be issued
to the effect that the police should tele
graph ^{to Government or Bangalore} the name & other particulars regard
ing any person who having come from the
Bombay Precy. alights at any station in
the Madras Precy. and rebooks thereat to
any station in the Mysore State.

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From.

J. P. Hewett. Esq.
Secretary to the Govt of India

To

The Resident in Mysore.

Home Department-
(Sanitary).

Simla, the 13th November 1897

Sir:

I am directed to reply to
your telegram no 4660, dated the 6th.
November 1897, in which you suggest that
Railways issuing tickets from plague
infected localities should mark all
such tickets with a large red P.

2. The Government of India con-
sidered a proposal made by the Govern-
ment of the North Western Provinces
and Oudh for the issue of tickets of a
distinctive colour at stations within
the infected area in February last
and decided that it was undesirable

that it was

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to adopt the suggestion as it would tend to encourage re-booking with a view to get rid of the distinctive ticket, the object of which would soon become generally known. Although travellers from infected areas have taken to re-booking, it seems to the Government of India that they would be still further encouraged to do so if they were given tickets of a distinctive colour. The Government of India moreover fear that the issue of distinctive tickets would not be of much use under existing conditions. The area in which plague at present exists in the Bombay Presidency extends from Palampur in the north to Belgaum in the South, and as far inland as Sholapur; and it is prevalent in the States of Cutch, Baroda, and Palampur and the districts of Kolaba, Vasik, - Sholapur

Poona, Satara, Surat and Thana as well as the Presidency Town. This being the case the Government of India do not think it possible to distinguish travellers from infected localities within the Presidency from those who come from uninfected localities, and the Government of India consider that the only safe course is to regard all travellers from the Presidency as coming from the infected area. If the practice is followed it would add no additional security to require that persons travelling from particular places should be given coloured tickets.

3. The Government of Bengal have informed the Government of India that the East Indian Railway represent that booking from Bombay and the neighbourhood to stations

beyond Khama has declined more than 50 percent owing to passengers from infected areas booking to stations on the Great Indian Peninsular and Bengal Nagpur Railways and rebooking thence. A careful watch should be maintained at Railway stations to prevent passengers from the Bombay Presidency evading detection at their destination by alighting at an intermediate station for the purpose of rebooking. If a passenger alights for this purpose his name and other necessary particulars should be telegraphed to the station to which he has rebooked in order that he may be detected on arrival. To prevent such passengers from evading detection by alighting at a station

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to which they have rebooked passengers should not be allowed to alight at Stations short of the station other than those to which they have booked unless they can give a satisfactory reason for so doing.

4. I am also to forward for your information a copy of the following rule which has been framed by the Government of Bengal for preventing evasion of observation by rebooking —

" In the event of a traveller from
" infected areas alighting at an
" intermediate station with the object
" of obtaining a fresh ticket so as to
" conceal the fact that he is a
" traveller from an infected area,
" the railway police will take down
" his name and the number of the
fresh

"ticket issued, and will send information down the line so that he may, on alighting, be brought under observation."

I have to
say J. P. Hewitt
Secretary to the Govt of
India.

Cobz.
Henry Clarke
Registrar.

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FROM

Camp No. 1 Inc. 1

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.
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Lt. Col. Donald Robertson,

THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

TO

CHIEF SECRETARY
12 DEC. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of Madras.

^{Shimoga}
Dated Bangalore, the 10th December 1897.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward copy
of a letter n^o 2484, dated the 13th ultimo, from
the Government of India in the Home Department
being a reply to a telegram in which
I suggested that railways issuing tickets
from plague infected localities should
mark all such tickets with a large
red P.

S. H.
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The District Superintendent of Police, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, who is in charge of the Police on the Mysore State Railway from Yesvantpur to Kodakurugod and from Bangalore to Harihar, and, on such portion of the Bangalore Branch of the Madras Railway, as lies within the Mysore State, has been instructed to issue orders to his men to consider all travellers from the Bombay Presidency, as having come from an infected area, and should any passenger from that Presidency, in order to evade detection at his destination, alight at an immediate station within Mysore territory for the purpose of

of rebooking, his name, and other particulars are to be telegraphed in the case of the Mysore State Railway to the Assistant Surgeon on plague duty at Yesvantpur and in the case of the Madras Railway to the Residency Surgeon, Bangalore.

3. I shall be much obliged if the Madras Government will cooperate, by issuing orders to the effect that the police should telegraph the names and other particulars, regarding any person who having come from the Bombay Presidency, alights at any station in the Madras Presidency, and rebooks thereat to any station

Station in the Mysore State. In the case of a
person rebooking to a station on the Mysore State
railway, the telegram should be sent to the
Assistant Surgeon on plague duty, *Gowanthpur*;
in the case of a person rebooking to a station
within Mysore territory on the Madras Railway
the telegram should be sent to the Resident
Surgeon, Bangalore.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

James Robertson

Resident in Mysore.

S.R.

Form No. 3.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Endorsement from
the Local & Municipal
H.S. No. 1302 of 10 Dec 1897

Communicated to
the Inspector General of Police
& Railway Administration con-
cerned for information and
guidance.

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To the Inspector General of Police
- Agent Secy. to Govt.
- Agent S. & Ry.
- Genl. Secy. to Govt.
- Comptroller & Ry.
- Local & Municipal

Despatched on 16/12/97

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From The Agent & Managers
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To

The Consulting Engineer
for Railways

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