Public Works (1898) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 551 Rly.

DATED 8th April 1898.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Bubonic Plague.

Pros: Lt the Dispatch, ordering the republication in the Fort St George & the Dist gazettes, of the Notifn of the G. of I, cancelling the prohibition against the bringing of used gunny bags from the Bombay Presidency & withdrawing similar orders passed by this Govt, Comm^d to the Rly Admins concerned in Continuation of G.O. No 380 Rly of 8-3-98.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL.

P.W.Ry C.No. 447
Recd 29.3.98

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G.O., No. 171-P., 9th March 1898.

MARCH.

Bubonic Plague.

Ordering the republication, in the Fort St. George and the District Gazettes, of the notification of the Government of India cancelling the prohibition against the bringing of used gunny bags from the Bombay Presidency; and withdrawing similar orders passed by this Government.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following papers:—

G.O., No. 142, Marine, dated 20th February 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Ordering the republication in the Fort St. George and Maritime District Gazettes of the notification of the Government of India prohibiting the bringing of rags, used apparel, bedding, waste paper and used gunny bags from any port with regard to which rules for quarantine against plague have been issued into any port in British India, and noting for guidance the prohibition as to local Governments' issuing regulations affecting sea-borne trade.

G.O., No. 279, Marine, dated 22nd March 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Ordering that a telegram be despatched to the Government of Bombay stating that the importation of used gunnies from quarantined ports has been prohibited, and that salt shipped in old bags will therefore have to be transferred on board to new bags or landed in bulk.

G.O., Mis. No. 126-P., dated 2nd March 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Instructing the Collector of Kurnool that the importation of salt from the Bombay Presidency should be permitted only in new gunny bags, that the dirt adhering to the bags should be scraped and burnt, and that the bags should be exposed to the sun for four hours.

READ—also the following paper:—

From R. NATHAN, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India (Home Department—Sanitary), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Local and Municipal Department, dated Calcutta, 18th February 1898, No. 332.

I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of Madras, a copy of a notification issued by the Governor-General in Council, in exercise of the powers conferred by the Epidemic Diseases Act, cancelling the prohibition against the bringing of used gunny bags from the Bombay Presidency into other parts of India.

2. The grain and seed merchants of Bombay have represented that the prohibition operates as a serious hindrance to the trade in grain and seeds, by compelling importers to use new bags for the transport of their produce. The Governor-General in Council recognises the gravity of this obstruction to trade and has carefully considered the question of the necessity of maintaining the prohibition. His Excellency in Council is advised that the uses to which gunny bags are put in the course of trade are not such as to render them subject to the contamination of plague infection, and that the withdrawal of the prohibition in the case of gunny bags will not entail any danger. The notification which accompanies this letter has accordingly been issued.

ENCLOSURE.

NOTIFICATION by the Government of India (Home Department—Sanitary), dated Calcutta, 18th February 1898, No. 330.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 2, sub-section (1) of the Epidemic Diseases Act (III of 1897), the Governor-General in Council is pleased to direct that, in the notification of the Government of India in the Home Department, No. 1033, dated the 22nd March 1897, as amended by Notification No. 2126, dated the 15th September 1897, for the words "rags, waste paper, and used gunny bags" the words "rags and waste paper" shall be substituted.

(Signed) J. P. HEWETT,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—No. 171-P., dated 9th March 1898.

The notification of the Government of India will be republished in the Fort St. George and the District Gazettes. The orders of the Local Government prohibiting the importation or landing of second-hand gunny bags from the Bombay Presidency are withdrawn.

(True Extract.)

S. S. Rhodes

for Ag. Secretary to Government.

24.3.98

To all Collectors.
" all Chairmen of Municipal Councils.
" all Presidents of District Boards.
" the President, Municipal Commission, Madras.
" the Marine Department.
" the Public Works Department, Railway Branch.
" the Revenue Department.
" the Sanitary Commissioner.
" the Surgeon-General.
Gazette.

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 8th March 1898, No. 380 Rg.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

P.W.Rg Current No. 447 of 1898, dated 29.3.98., from Local & Mint Dept.

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ORDER.

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