Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 3186-87

DATED 24 June 97

[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording with reference to letter from the Colonial Secy ~~to~~ Straits Settlements, on the subject of the importation into the Colony of ~~live~~ infected cattle from Madras and Kankal

Furnishing information in regard to the regulations in force in Madras dealing with the Cattle Diseases

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Marine (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 4899

Order

From The Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements.

No. 3734-97

Dated 28th May 1897

Received 12-6

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Stating that the Cattle referred to in a previous Communication were shipped from Karikal and not from Madras.

Passed correct
Signature of Clerk
1/6/97

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

It is requested that the following number be quoted in the reply to this letter.

Penang 3731-97.



Colonial Secretary's Office,

SINGAPORE, 25th May , 1897.





Sir,

In continuation of my letter of the 25th instant, I am directed to inform you that the cattle referred to were shipped from the port of Karikal and not from Madras as stated in the letter from the Resident Councillor, Penang.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

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Acting Colonial Secretary, S.S.

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of
MADRAS.

Revenue
Political (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1859

From The Colonial Secretary, Straits Settlements.

Order

No. 3734-97

Dated 25th May 1897

Received 10-6-97

Registered

Enclosures 2

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SUBJECT.

Enquiring whether there are any regulations dealing with the Shipment of Cattle from Madras.

Papers called for and obtained per mail 15th. 15/7/97

BACK PAPERS.

G O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

(Copy.)

Govt.Veterinary Surgeon's Office,
Penang, 17th May, 1897.

No.39.

Sir,

I have the honour to report, for your information, that the Norwegian S.S."Tajo" arrived here yesterday with over 800 head of Indian cattle on board. On going on board this morning I saw the Captain who stated that he left Madras with over 800 and that about 30 had died during the voyage, the cattle were consigned to Oleh-leh and on arrival at that port the Veterinary authorities after examination reported them to be suffering from rinderpest and refused to allow them to land. I saw several carcasses lying in the different parts of the ship, having broken limbs and other injuries, and as the carcasses were in an advanced state of decomposition making it very difficult to certify to the actual cause of death. As the cattle are going on to Singapore, I would request that the authorities there be informed of the above circumstances.

I have, &c.,

(Sd.) W.H.MacArthur
Government Veterinary Surgeon.

The Hon'ble
The Acting Resident Councillor,
PENANG.

(Copy.)

Resident Councillor's Office,
Penang, 18th May, 1897.

Medical 2103-97.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward enclosed letter from the Government Veterinary Surgeon reporting arrival of S.S."Tym" with sick cattle on board from Madras.

2. I have already telegraphed to you that this vessel should be examined on arrival at Singapore. This was for two reasons, viz., that the Dutch Consul here informed me he had received a telegram from Olehleh that the authorities there had suspected cases of rinderpest on board and refused to allow any cattle to land and that owing to the condition of the ship and the dead cattle on board the Government Veterinary Surgeon here was unable to make a proper examination of the cause of deaths among the cattle.

3. The Master of the "Tym" was directed to leave the harbour as early as he could and bury all the dead cattle at sea after he had gone thirty miles to the south of the island and to thoroughly cleanse the ship before reaching Singapore and the vessel left at 3 p.m. yesterday.

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The Hon'ble

The Acting Colonial Secretary,

S. S.

4. The Master of the steamer informed me the ship was chartered by the Straits Trading Company but that no special preparations were made for conveying cattle which appear to have been merely put away in the hold and probably most of the mortality among them was due to overcrowding, fright, bad food, and water, ventilation, and accidents in rough weather, but there may also have been cases of rinderpest as reported by the Dutch authorities.

5. Whatever the cause such a state of things as was found to exist on board this ship was a gross case of cruelty to animals by neglect to provide for their wants and for their proper accommodation.

I have, &c.,

(Sd.) J.K.Birch,
Acting Resident Councillor.

RECD GOVT MADRAS 10 JUN 97 REV. DEPT.

COLONIAL SECRETARY STRAITS SETTLEMENTS

CHIEF SECRETARY -5 JUN 1897 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

It is requested that the following number be quoted in the reply to this letter.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

SINGAPORE, 25th May, 1897.

Perang 3734-97.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor of the Straits Settlements to forward, for the information of the Government of Madras, the enclosed copy of a letter, dated the 18th instant, from the Acting Resident Councillor, Perang, together with a copy of a report by the Government Veterinary Surgeon there on certain cattle which were shipped from Madras by the S.S. "Tryn" to Olehleh in Achoen.

2. On the arrival of the steamer in Singapore the cattle were at once examined by Mr Falshaw, the Government Veterinary Surgeon here, who reported them as suffering from the effects of rough weather and insufficient food. In Mr Falshaw's opinion there could have been no cases of rinderpest on board as alleged by the Dutch authorities.

3. I am to request that the Madras Government will be good enough to state, for His Excellency's information, whether there are any regulations dealing with the shipment of cattle from Madras.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Acting Colonial Secretary, S.S.

The Chief Secretary to
the Government of
MADRAS.

Rec'd encl.s 4859

Order misc n.s 3186, 24.6.97

Recorded

2 the following reply will be sent to the Govt of the Straits Settlements

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n.s 3187.

The Colonial Secy
Straits Settlements

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters nos 3734-97 dd the 25 and 28th ultimo and with reference to the enquiry made in para 3 of the first of them to any state that there are no regulations in this Presy dealing specially with the shipment of cattle from the Madras ports. I am, however, to forward for the information of H.E. the Governor of the Straits Settlements copies of

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Secy
for his signature.

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21/6/97

To the Board A&O Rev: R34
with copy of letter

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1) the Cattle Disease Prevention Act II of 1866 which can be introduced into any port under the territorial jurisdiction of this Govt and (2) of the Procs of the Calles No 776 dy 8th Sept 1893 and No 1593 misc dy 28th April 1894 showing the steps already taken by two of the Colonial Govts to safeguard the interests of the Colonies concerned in the matter of the prevention of the importation into them of infected cattle from certain ports of the Madras Presy

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The correspondence which has taken place between this Govt & the Colonial Govts of Ceylon & New South Wales on the subject of regulating the shipment in this Presidency of cattle intended for those Colonies.

Prepared H.S. the Govr in Council wishes to make arrangements for such regulation in the case of cattle shipped at the Straits Settlements from from British ports in this Presidency provides the Straits Govt consent to bear the cost thereof.

Ulle 16/6/97 17/6/97

Note.

A large no of cattle arrived at the Straits in an overcrowded & unhealthy condition & rinderpest was prevailing. The Straits Govt wrote to this Govt stating they were from Madras & asked whether there were any regulations as to shipment of cattle in this Presidency. Subsequently they have written to say the cattle came from Kurrachee

Note

On the 2nd letter this it is stated that the cattle were shipped from Karikal, the enquiry contained in the first letter is not formally cancelled.

~~The Proposal above referred to shows that the Colonial Govts concerned~~

It seems, in any case desirable to send copies of the papers above referred to as they show on what conditions this Govt would be prepared to assist Colonial

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Colonial Govts in safeguarding their interests.

From D it will be seen that New South Wales has with Indian approval appointed various Officers in India as Cattle Inspectors on behalf of the Colony & remunerates them from the fees levied by the Colony on cattle imported there.

From C it will be seen that the Ceylon Government wanted this Govt to regulate & inspect the shipment of cattles exported to Ceylon from Madras ports & agreed that this that this Govt ~~was necessary~~ consent done at ~~to so from~~ certain selected ports & introducing the Cattle Disease Prevention Act at those ports if the Ceylon Govt bore the cost of the inspection & the various other arrangements necessary.

It cannot be known in this Office whether the Ceylon Govt agreed to pay.

But it is submitted there can be no harm in letting the Straits Govt know what ~~upon~~ what we can do for them & upon what terms. Ulle 16/6/97 17/6/97