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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

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Remarks by the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, on the recorded vital statistics in the Districts and Municipalities of the Madras Presidency for the month of August 1896.

DISTRICTS.

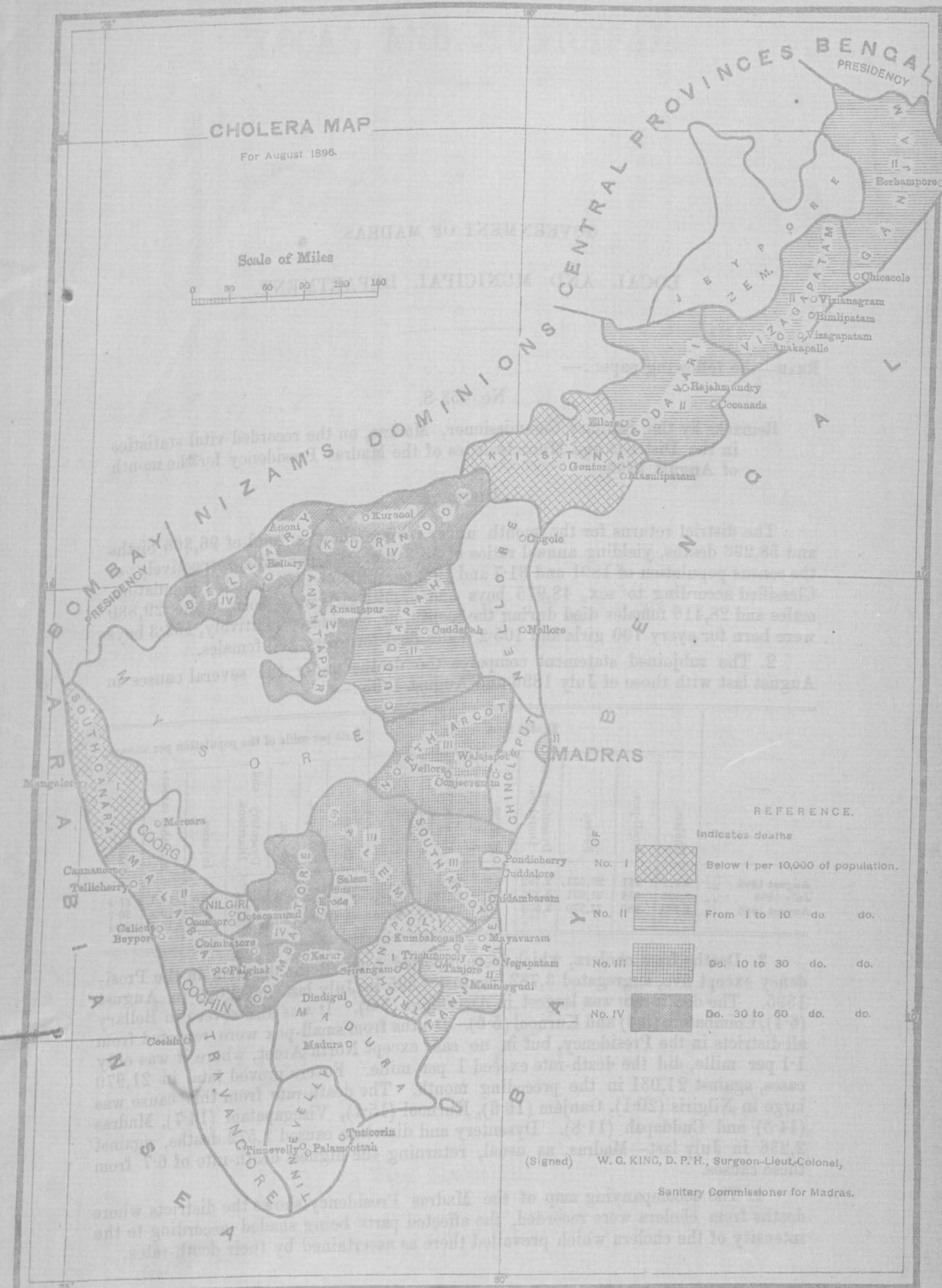
The district returns for the month under review show a total of 96,366 births and 58,296 deaths, yielding annual ratios of 35.3 and 21.4 per mille, respectively, of the census population of 1891 and 31.7 and 19.2 per mille of the estimated population. Classified according to sex, 48,975 boys and 47,391 girls were born, while 29,880 males and 28,416 females died during the month, or, considered relatively, 103.3 boys were born for every 100 girls and 105.2 males died for every 100 females.

2. The subjoined statement compares the deaths under the several causes in August last with those of July 1896 and August 1895 :—

	Deaths from							Rate per mille of the population per annum.						
	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fevers.	Dysentery and Diarrhoea.	Injuries.	All other causes.	Total.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fevers.	Dysentery and Diarrhoea.	Injuries.	All other causes.	Total.
August 1895 ..	2,029	451	25,631	2,782	830	28,364	60,107	0.7	0.2	9.1	1.0	0.3	10.1	21.4
July 1896 ..	3,595	654	21,031	2,236	837	27,425	55,778	1.3	0.3	7.8	0.8	0.3	10.2	20.7
August 1896 ..	3,782	680	21,970	2,572	868	28,524	58,296	1.4	0.2	8.1	0.9	0.3	10.5	21.4

3. Deaths from cholera, which were reported from all the districts in the Presidency except five, aggregated 3,782, against 3,595 in July last and 2,029 in August 1895. The death-rate was largest in Anantapur (7.8). It was also severe in Bellary (6.4), Coimbatore (6.4) and Kurnool (5.6). Deaths from small-pox were reported from all districts in the Presidency, but in no case except North Arcot, where it was only 1.1 per mille, did the death-rate exceed 1 per mille. Fevers proved fatal in 21,970 cases, against 21,031 in the preceding month. The death-rate from this cause was large in Nilgiris (20.1), Ganjam (16.6), Kurnool (15.1), Vizagapatam (14.7), Madras (14.3) and Cuddapah (11.8). Dysentery and diarrhoea caused 2,572 deaths, against 2,236 in July last—Madras, as usual, returning the highest death-rate of 6.7 from these causes.

4. The accompanying map of the Madras Presidency shows the districts where deaths from cholera were recorded, the affected parts being shaded according to the intensity of the cholera which prevailed there as ascertained by their death-rates.



MUNICIPALITIES.

5. The registration of vital statistics among the municipal population showed that during the month under review there were 7,259 births (3,609 boys and 3,650 girls) and 5,835 deaths (2,917 males and 2,918 females). They corresponded to annual ratios of 40.9 and 32.9 per mille of the census population of 1891 and 38.2 and 30.7 per mille, respectively, of the estimated population. The proportion of males to every 100 females born was 98.9 and that of deaths was 99.97. The death-rate among infants under one year of age was 261.4 per mille per annum of the population of that age in the month, against 243.4 in July last.

6. In the accompanying table is compared the registered mortality under the several causes with those of the preceding month and the corresponding month of the previous year:—

	Deaths from							Rate per mille of population per annum.						
	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fevers.	Dysentery and Diarrhoea.	Injuries.	All other causes.	Total.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fevers.	Dysentery and Diarrhoea.	Injuries.	All other causes.	Total.
August 1895 ..	67	11	1,737	937	55	2,873	5,680	0.4	0.1	9.9	5.3	0.3	16.4	32.4
July 1896 ..	156	38	1,457	737	57	2,813	5,258	0.9	0.2	8.2	4.2	0.3	15.8	29.6
August 1896 ..	437	37	1,527	893	53	2,888	5,835	2.5	0.2	8.6	5.0	0.3	16.3	32.9

7. Deaths from cholera, as registered in twenty-two of the municipal towns, aggregated 437, against 156 in July last, Tirupattūr taking the lead with a death-rate of 117.8 per mille. In Coimbatore, it was 16.0 per mille and in Rajahmundry 15.6. In five other towns, it was above 5.0 per mille, while in six of them it was below 1 per mille. Deaths from small-pox were reported from twelve towns and they aggregated 37, against 38 in the preceding month. The mortality from fevers was 1,527, against 1,457 in July last and 1,737 in August 1895. The death-rate from this cause was highest in Berhampur (17.8). It was also severe in fourteen other towns. Dysentery and diarrhoea contributed 893 deaths, against 737 in the previous month. The death-rate from these causes was large in twelve towns—ranging from 6.6 in Chicacole and Berhampur to 16.1 in Palghat.

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2. The returns will be published in the Fort St. George Gazette.

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