

Revenue (1899) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 1163

DATED 21st March 99

[Despatch Abstract.]

Remembrance of F. B. Marrow, ^{Minister of the Gospel}
Post Office, with one or two letters from an English
Bourbon. Some striking copies of correspondence
relating to the instructions given by George
Washington for the clipping of the national letters
corner of tickets issued to passengers at New York
bound for ports in the Indian Territory.

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Enclosures

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G.O., No. 227, 8th March 1899.

MARCH.

Passengers from Infected Ports in the Bombay Presidency

Letter from the Government of Bombay forwarding copies of correspondence relative to the instructions given by Messrs. Shepherd & Co., for the clipping of the bottom left hand corner of tickets issued to passengers at Bombay bound for ports in the Madras Presidency, communicated to the Presidency Port Officer, with remark.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From G. W. HATCH, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Under Secretary to the Government of Bombay, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Marine Department, dated Bombay Castle, 1st March 1899, No. 1598.

With reference to the letter from this Government No. 8403, dated 29th December 1898, I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of Madras, copies of the correspondence specified in the margin from which it will be seen that instructions have been given by Messrs. Shepherd & Co. for the clipping of the bottom left hand corner of tickets issued to passengers at Bombay bound for ports in the Madras Presidency.

ENCLOSURES.

From J. POLLEN, Esq., Acting Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari, Bombay, to Messrs. SHEPHERD AND CO., Bombay, dated 6th January 1899, No. 77.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter, No. F. 475/457, dated the 22nd November last, I have the honour to inform you that I have been directed by Government to request you to kindly arrange for the issue to passengers of clipped tickets at all ports declared to be infected.

2. I have also been directed to further request such measures as may be feasible to prevent the issue of tickets at an infected port to passengers who have already voyaged from an infected port.

From Messrs. SHEPHERD AND CO., to the Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari, Bombay, dated 7th January 1899, No. F. 475/478.

Our letter No. 77, dated 6th instant. We shall be very pleased to issue marked tickets at an infected ports if you will kindly keep us posted as to which are infected ports.

From J. POLLEN, Esq., Acting Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari, Bombay, to Messrs. SHEPHERD AND CO., Bombay, dated Camp, Ahmedabad, 14th January 1899, No. 162.

With reference to your No. F. 475/78 of the 7th instant, I have the honour to state that I have requested the Plague Commissioner to keep you posted from time to time as to which are infected ports.

From J. POLLEN, Esq., Acting Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari, Bombay, dated Camp Ahmedabad, 14th January 1899, No. 163.

Copies forwarded to the Plague Commissioner with reference to Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 8402, dated 29th ultimo and a request that Messrs. Shepherd & Co. may be informed from time to time as to which are infected ports between Bombay and Bhatkal.

From A. WINGATE, Esq., Plague Commissioner, Bombay, to Messrs. SHEPHERD AND CO., Bombay, dated 23rd January 1899, No. 151.

With reference to the letter No. 162, dated 14th January 1899, addressed to you by the Acting Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkari, Bombay, I have the honour to inform you that at present Bombay is the only infected port from which clipped tickets are to be supplied.

From Messrs. SHEPHERD AND CO., Bombay, to the Plague Commissioner, Bombay, dated 24th January 1899, No. F. 475/292.

With reference to your letter, No. 151, dated 23rd instant, we enclose sample of tickets we issue at all ports, which are numbered consecutively and dated at the time of issue. The names of the ports of departure and arrival are clearly printed both in English and the vernacular of the district, also the class. These tickets are, you will observe, all clipped as a sign that the holder has made the journey, and the figure above the clip 32 indicates the name of the ticket clerk who has clipped the ticket on board.

We think there has been some misapprehension as to the routine we pursue; hence this explanation, which gives, we think, all the information required.

From A. WINGATE, Esq., Plague Commissioner, Bombay, to Messrs. SHEPHERD AND CO., Bombay, dated 31st January 1899, No. 219.

With reference to your letter No. F. 475/292, dated the 24th January 1899, I have the honour to observe that Dr. Pollen asked you in his letter No. 77, dated the 6th instant, to issue clipped tickets at all ports from time to time declared to be infected. The clipping adopted by you as per the sample ticket enclosed with your letter under reply is apparently done at every port of issue whether the port is infected or not and does not indicate more than the fact "that the holder has made the journey." This is done in respect of tickets issued at every railway station or seaport. What Dr. Pollen wished was to have the tickets issued at infected ports clipped in such a way, in addition to the ordinary clipping adopted by you, as to at once indicate that the passenger has travelled from an infected port, and this, I would suggest, might be done by cutting off one of the corners of the ticket, as has been done in the sample ticket returned herewith. Thus a ticket issued from an infected port will have two clips: (1) that ordinarily adopted by you for your own purposes, and (2) the clip of one of the corners to indicate to Plague authorities at the port of arrival that the holder has started from an infected port. It would of course be possible to do without the second clipping and simply notify to the Madras Government a newly infected port. This procedure, however, always takes time and it is simpler to tell them that the tickets with the corner clipped off indicate departure from a plague-infected port.

From Messrs. SHEPHERD AND CO., Bombay, to the Plague Commissioner, Bombay, dated 1st February 1899, No. F. 475/418.

[Your letter No. 219, dated 31st January 1899.]

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your above, and to say that the necessary instructions have been issued respecting the clipping of the bottom left hand corner of tickets issued at Bombay to ports in the Madras Presidency.

Endorsement of the Plague Commissioner, Bombay, dated 20th February 1899, No. 353/P.C.

Submitted to Government, Revenue Department, for information and favour of communication to the Government of Madras.

ORDER—No. 227, Marine, dated 8th March 1899.

Communicated to the Presidency Port Officer in continuation of G.O., No. 133, Marine, dated 9th February 1899.

The reply of the Government of Bombay to letter No. 134, Marine, dated 9th February 1899, will be awaited.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Presidency Port Officer.

„ Collector, South Canara.
„ Local and Municipal Department.
„ Revenue Department.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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