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Nos. 8—10.

Position of Vaccinators.

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LIST OF PAPERS.

8. From the Government of India, Home Department, Nos. 190—202, dated the 27th November 1906, forwarding a copy of a Resolution recorded by them laying down certain rules for the employment of vaccinators in Bengal.
9. To all Commissioners of Divisions and Sanitary Commissioner, Bengal, Circular No. 30S. and No. 576S., dated the 20th December 1906, forwarding a copy of the above Resolution.
10. To the Commissioner of Bhagalpur Division, No. 331S., dated the 20th February 1907, and endorsement to the Sanitary Commissioner, Bengal, No. 332S., dated the 20th February 1907, enquiring whether in his opinion the vaccinators in the Darjeeling district, outside the municipalities, who are at present paid by Government, should not in future be paid from the Darjeeling Road Fund.

[No. 3.]

Nos. 190—202, dated Calcutta, the 27th November 1906.

[FILE S $\frac{1-V}{8}$ 1.]

RESOLUTION—By the Government of India, Home Department.

IN his Financial Despatch No. 196, dated the 11th May 1876, the Secretary of State sanctioned the classification of vaccinators employed by Municipalities and cantonment committees as servants of the State, and admitted them to the benefits of pensions and gratuities from general revenues. Under these orders vaccinators were placed in the same position in respect of pension or gratuity as medical officers lent to charitable dispensaries and hospitals. Subsequently with the development of the system of local self-government, this concession was extended to vaccinators paid from all local funds. But the Government of India understand that the system at present in force varies considerably; and it is probable that the orders referred to no longer represent actual practice in several provinces.

2. It appears to the Government of India that the system, where it exists, under which vaccinators, though paid from local funds, are nevertheless held to be pensionable from general revenues, is open to objection, and that there is no reason why any distinction should be made between them and any other class of local fund employes. They question whether there are any longer reasons to apprehend that to treat vaccinators in future as servants of local bodies and not of the State would involve any serious risk of sacrificing the interests of vaccination. They do not accept the view that vaccination establishments should be on a provincial basis, and (though paid by local bodies) should be wholly under the administrative control of the provincial sanitary authorities. Nor do they see any reason to anticipate that vaccinators cannot be adequately trained under the supervision of the district medical staff and the Civil Surgeon. This is in fact actually done in many parts of India, and the Government of India have considerable doubt whether the system of maintaining a provincial list of vaccinators controlled by the Sanitary Commissioner works well in practice. They think therefore that the time has now come to place vaccinators on the same footing as other local fund employes.

3. The Governor-General in Council therefore directs, in accordance with the principles generally accepted in respect of such employes—

- (1) that for the future vaccinators shall not be enrolled as servants of Government, nor be employed as a provincial establishment;
- (2) that vaccinators hereafter employed by local bodies shall be wholly under their administrative control, and shall be on the same footing as other local employes; and
- (3) that existing incumbents shall retain their present rights to pension from Government, where such rights exist.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Local

Madras.
Bombay.
Bengal.
United Provinces.
Punjab.

Burma.
Eastern Bengal and Assam.
Central Provinces.
North-West Frontier Province.
Coorg.

Governments and Administrations noted on the margin for information and guidance, and

that a copy be forwarded to the Finance and Foreign Departments for information.

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[No. 9.]

Circular No. 30S.

COPY forwarded to all Commissioners of Divisions for information and communication to Municipalities and District Boards in their Divisions.

No. 576S.

COPY forwarded to the Sanitary Commissioner, Bengal, for information and guidance.

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

J. C. K. PETERSON,

Under-Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal.

CALCUTTA;

MUNICIPAL DEPT.—Sanitation,
The 20th December 1906.

[No. 10.]

[FILE S $\frac{1-V}{8}$ 3.]

No. 331S., dated Calcutta, the 20th February 1907.

From—H. J. McINTOSH, Esq., Secretary to the Govt. of Bengal, Municipal Dept.,
 To—The Commissioner of the Bhagalpur Division.

WITH reference to paragraph 3 of the Resolution by the Government of India, Home Department, Nos. 190—202, dated the 27th November 1906, a copy of which was forwarded to you with Circular No. 30-S., dated the 20th December 1906, I am directed to ask whether in your opinion the vaccinators in the Darjeeling district, outside the municipalities, who are at present paid by Government, should not in future be paid from the Darjeeling Road Fund.

No. 332S.

COPY forwarded to the Sanitary Commissioner, Bengal, for information, in continuation of Government order No. 576-S., dated the 20th December 1906.

By order of the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal,

J. C. K. PETERSON,

Under-Secretary to the Government of Bengal.

CALCUTTA,

The 20th February 1907.

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MUNICIPAL DEPT.

SANITATION. *File S $\frac{1-V}{8}$*

K.-W.—A PROGS. FOR FEBRUARY 1907, Nos. 8—10.

SUBJECT—

*Position of Vaccinators.**Notes and Orders.*

- 1 From Home Department, Nos. 190—202.,
dated the 27th November 1906.

It has been ascertained from the Sanitary Commissioner's office (there are no papers on the subject in this office) that in Bengal the system under which vaccinators, though paid from local funds, are nevertheless held to be pensionable from General Revenues, exists only in the district of Sambalpur. India's present orders will not perhaps affect the Government vaccinators whose services have been lent to local bodies. These will apply to the vaccinators in Sambalpur only who are paid by the District Board and receive pension from General Revenues. However, we may forward a copy of the Resolution to all Commissioners of Divisions and the Sanitary Commissioner, for information.

(Draft for approval.)

For orders.

R. D. G.—17-12-1906.

E. H. P.—17-12-1906.

- 2 To Commissioners of Divisions, Circular
No. 30-S., dated the 20th December 1906.
To Sanitary Commissioner, No. 576-S., dated
the 20th December 1906.

Mr. PASCAL—Please bring this up.

J. C. K. PETERSON—18-12-1906.

RESUBMITTED for Secretary's perusal.

E. H. P.—12-1-1907.

SECRETARY—Perusal.

J. C. K. PETERSON—14-1-1907.

(1) We brought out some new rules last year. Are they in consonance with those orders?

(2) The above note speaks of "Government vaccinators." What is meant by that? I do not quite understand the system.

H. J. McINTOSH—16-1-1907.

PLEASE see Secretary's queries above.

- (1) The new rules* referred to by Secretary relate to the appointment, qualifications, duties, etc., of the *licensed* vaccinators. These vaccinators are allowed to charge

* File S $\frac{1-V}{6}$, A Proceedings for June 1906, Nos. 1-2.

a fee of two annas for each successful operation, and to enjoy certain other privileges mentioned in rule 7. The fees are realised from the persons operated on. India's Resolution refers to *paid* vaccinators, especially those paid by local bodies. India say [paragraph 3(1)] that for the future vaccinators shall not be enrolled as Government servants, nor be employed as a Provincial establishment. This order will stand in the way of our appointing vaccinators at the Animal Vaccination Depôts in Calcutta and Darjeeling when the existing incumbents retire. This difficulty may perhaps be avoided by calling these vaccinators by some other name, such as "Depôt Assistants." As for the

permanent vaccinators employed in Darjeeling in vaccinating, they will enjoy their present rights under paragraph 3 (3) of India's Resolution. But when they retire and it becomes necessary to replace them, it will be necessary to make them servants of the Darjeeling or Kurseong Municipality or the Darjeeling Road Committee.

(2) There are 15 Government vaccinators in Bengal, namely, four in the Animal Vaccination Depôt, Calcutta, and 11 in the Darjeeling district, including two temporary vaccinators. They are paid by Government. The vaccinators in Bengal are classified as follows:—

	Number.
(a) Paid vaccinators in Government employ	15
(b) Paid vaccinators in the employ of local bodies	257
(c) Licensed vaccinators	1,532

India refer to vaccinators who, though paid from local funds, are admitted to the benefits of pensions and gratuities from general revenues. Such vaccinators it is understood exist only in the district of Sambalpur.

M. N. B.—22-1-1907.

E. H. P.—23-1-1907.

PLEASE show Secretary's note and the above note to Sanitary Commissioner for any remarks he may have to offer.

J. C. K. PETERSON—23-1-1907.

SECRETARY—

The vaccinators who are employed in the Animal Vaccine Depôts should continue to be treated as Government servants, and this point should be made clear in the Government of India's ruling; as an alternative the designation of these vaccinators may be altered as suggested in the office notes, but the conditions of service should remain as heretofore.

The paid vaccinators of the Darjeeling district outside the Municipalities are at present Government servants, and entitled to pension. We cannot replace paid by licensed vaccinators in this district, as the district is a very backward one, being inhabited by hill men from whom it would be very difficult to realise fees. It is for consideration of Government from what source these men are to be paid, and whether their services should entitle them to pension in future.

In Sambalpur under this ruling the vaccinators employed in future will not be eligible for pension as heretofore.

F. C. CLARKSON—30-1-1907.

SECRETARY—

Secretary's note dated 16th January 1907. The rules sanctioned last year refer to licensed vaccinators (Government order No. 913T.—M., dated the 5th June 1906). In Bengal there are only 15 vaccinators paid by Government, and the system referred in paragraph 2 of India's orders, under which vaccinators, though paid from local funds, are held to be pensionable from General Revenues, only exists in Sambalpur. The only officers therefore affected in this Province by India's orders are—

(1) The vaccinators employed in the Animal Vaccine Depôts.—These

I agree.

H. J. McINTOSH.

are not really vaccinators, and

they may, as suggested by office, be called in future "Depôt Assistants." It is hardly worth while referring their case to India.

Notes and Orders—concluded.

- (2) *The paid vaccinators in the Darjeeling district outside the Municipalities.*—These should in future be paid by the local authority concerned, i.e., the Darjeeling Road Committee.

Consult Commissioner about this.
H. J. McINTOSH.

- (3) *The vaccinators employed in Sambalpur*—India's orders will apply to these. A copy of India's orders has been sent to the Sanitary Commissioner for information and guidance, and to all Commissioners for communication to Municipalities and District Boards. Perhaps no further orders are necessary.

There is only one minor point. Rule 14 of the revised rules issued last year provides that when licensed vaccinators are deputed to stamp out outbreaks of small-pox during the recess season, they will be entitled to a deputation allowance not exceeding four annas a day. This is at present paid by Government. I do not think this however contravenes the general principles laid down by India, and the practice may be allowed to continue.

I agree.
H. J. McINTOSH.

J. C. K. PETERSON—1-2-1907.

MARGIN.

H. J. McINTOSH—2-2-1907.

Show the file, and draft unofficially to the Sanitary Commissioner before issue.

J. C. K. PETERSON—12-2-1907.

SEEN.

F. C. CLARRSON—18-2-1907.

- 3 To the Commissioner of the Bhagalpur Division, and endorsement to the Sanitary Commissioner, Bengal, Nos. 331-322-S., dated the 20th February 1907.

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REFERENCE TO FORMER CASES.

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REFERENCE TO LATER CASES.

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