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(Subject.)

Plague in Terta Hills

Reports slight outbreak of - 32 cases and 24 deaths. Reports measures taken

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EAST AFRICA PROTECTORATE.

No. 447

My Lord,

I have the honour to report that there has been a slight outbreak of plague in the Teita Hills, some 10 miles from Voi Railway Station. As the outbreak appears to be confined to two or three villages, I have not considered it necessary to impose quarantine regulations either as regards Voi Railway Station or on the Voi Taveta Road; but precautions have been taken to prevent the disease from spreading.

2. Plague is said to be endemic in this part of the Protectorate, both the Teita and Taveta having names for it in their dialect. The last known visitation,

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H. Principal Secretary of State

for the Colonies,

Downing Street,

LONDON, S.W.

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a severe one, occurred 14 years ago. On the present occasion there have been in all 32 cases and 24 deaths. During the last three weeks there have been six cases.

3. The district has been visited by the Acting Principal Medical Officer, and the Acting Bacteriologist, and a doctor has been temporarily stationed in the infected area. I am of opinion that the epidemic will work itself out very shortly.

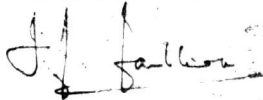
I have the honour to be,

(With the highest respect,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient,

humble servant,



(In the absence of H.M. Commissioner)

a severe one, occurred 14 years ago. On the present
 occasion there have been about 30 cases and 14 deaths.
 During the last three weeks there have been six deaths.
 3. The epidemic has been very similar to that of 1914.

Principal modes of transmission are contact with
 infected persons and contact with infected animals.
 Infection may also be spread by contact with
 contaminated objects.

I have the honor to be,

Sincerely yours,

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Very truly yours,