

operations be carried out in that city, as the elevation of Laredo, Mexico and its proximity to our frontier, make this point one of more importance than any other.—*Wyman*.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 28th of April, 1904.

(Very Urgent.)

Sanitary Agent.—Laredo.

It is reported from the United States that the destruction of the larvae of mosquitoes is not properly carried out in your town. In order to answer this, I want to know the form under which you carry out this operation. Do you continue making strict domiciliary visits to assure yourself that not a single case remains which could be suspected of Yellow Fever? It is necessary that our Sanitary labors in your city should be beyond reproach, as the eyes of the two Republics are fixed on you.

Answer at once by wire.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Nuevo Laredo, 28th of April, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

Received your telegram of today. The form in which we are carrying out the destruction of the larvae is subject to the instructions of your Supreme Board and is as

follows; all the houses in the city are visited by Special Commissioners with strict orders to look into all the water cisterns, destroying those that are not indispensably necessary for domestic use and spreading oil on the others, besides ordering them to be closed so as to prevent the mosquitos from going in and out. We also use oil on all standing water in streets and public places where the holes have not been filled up. We have not ceased to work for these objects for a single day and by this time have visited all the houses in the city.

At present I am continuing the house to house inspection to overlook and require the compliance with instructions, and up to date this work has been executed in 479 houses. The domiciliary visits to observe any case which is suspected of Yellow Fever are under the charge of twenty chiefs of Blocks under the oversight of four physicians practicing in this city. Up to the present date no case has been observed that could be suspected of yellow fever.—*Juan F. de la Garza*, Medical Sanitary Agent.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 2nd of May, 1904.

Dr. Walter Wyman, President of the Committee of the American Republics.—Washington.

Dear Doctor.

The Medical Sanitary Agent in Laredo wires me under date of the 28th ulto, as follows:

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tion of the larvae is subject to the instructions of your Supreme Board and is as follows; all the houses in the city are visited by special commissioners with strict orders to look into all the water cisterns, destroying those that are not indispensably necessary for domestic use and spreading oil on the others, besides ordering them to be closed so as to prevent the mosquitos from going in and out. We also use oil on all standing water in streets and public places where the holes have not been filled up. We have not ceased to work for these objects for a single day and by this time have visited all the houses in the city.

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I have the pleasure of transcribing it to you with reference to your message of the 26th ulto., and moreover inform you, that notwithstanding the already good organization of the sanitary service in Laredo, I have reinforced it with seven more employees and have ordered that a scrupulous inspection be made of the passengers arriving by rail, in order to prevent the passage into American territory, not only of persons suffering from Yellow Fever or Small Pox, but even of those suspected of those diseases.

I remain, yours very respectfully.—*Eduardo Liceaga*,  
President of the Board.

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Section 1st.—No. 2174.—The physician in charge of the Special Service against Yellow Fever in Ciudad Victoria, informs me by wire under date of the 26th of April, as follows.

“At. 15 or 20 kilometres from this town and on both sides of the railroad track, there are many ponds of water and it appears to me desirable that a communication should be addressed to the Company to spread oil.»

In doing myself the honor to transcribe it for your information, I take the liberty of asking that both for the sake of public health and for the convenience of your Company, you will be pleased to give your orders to have the water ponds referred to either canalized or filled up, and if this should not be possible for any reason, that you will order a thin layer of crude petroleum to be spread over them.

I repeat to you my expressions of distinguished consideration.

Liberty and Constitution. Mexico, 2nd of May 1904.  
*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

To Mr. Lic. Pablo Martinez del Rio, Representative of the Mexican Central Railroad Company.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Nuevo Laredo, 2nd of May 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

The Sanitary Service has been reinforced since yesterday in the form indicated by you in your message of the 29th ulto. The service is good and we are all working with

the activity required by the circumstances and in order to obtain the objects which you desire. I hope there will be no reason for complaint on the part of our neighbours. The destruction of larvae is carried on with evident success and all the orders of the Board are zealously complied with. The quarantine in Texas against Mexican towns was established yesterday but does not include this city. The Federal physicians have taken no part in the imposition of the quarantine. I will give you timely notice of anything new that may arise.—*Juan F. de la Garza*, Medical Sanitary Agent.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Tehuantepec, 3rd of May, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

Last night I examined Enrique Lopez who is suffering from Yellow Fever with a very serious prognostic. He is a Spaniard with ten days residence in this place.—*Dr. R. Medina Jimenez*, Medical Sanitary Agent.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 30th of June, 1904.

Dres. Miguel Mendoza N. and Victoriano Montalvo, Delegates of the Supreme Board of Health, Salina Cruz.

Dr. Medina Jimenez, of Tehuantepec, wishes you to pass there to give him a consultation on a Yellow Fever patient. Please do so and if necessary isolate the patient

in the screened ward; if there is none, by means of curtains, but under any circumstance, place him in such a situation that the mosquitos cannot sting him.—*Eduardo Licéaga*, President of the Board.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Salina Cruz, 5th of May, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

The Yellow Fever patient whom I visited yesterday with Dr. Medina died today. Tomorrow I will proceed to disinfect the house which he occupied for the last three days. Afterwards I will disinfect that which he occupied for the, first four days in San Geronimo. I have two wire cloth sets of curtains making in order to avoid the infection of mosquitos in fresh cases of Yellow Fever.—*Victoriano Montalvo*, Delegate.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Tehuantepec, 6th of May, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

Yesterday the Yellow Fever patient reported by me died. I have a fresh case.—*Dr. Medina Jimenez*.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 6th of May, 1904.

Dr. Roberto Medina Jimenez.—Tehuantepec.

With regret I note your message of yesterday in which you advise me of the death of the Yellow Fever patient whom you were attending and that you have a fresh case of the same disease.

Please do your part to obtain the isolation of the suspected patient whom you have under observation.

Drs. Mendoza and Montalvo have reported that they have already made the disinfection of the house occupied by the patient who died, and that by agreement with the local authorities they have ordered the isolation.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Tehuantepec, 10th of May, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

I have just observed a fresh case of Yellow Fever—*Dr. Medina Jimenez*.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Laredo, 10th of May, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

Yesterday I returned here from Ciudad Victoria, where I went for the principal purpose of arranging for a continuation of the sanitary campaign in the city, which had been arranged up to the 20th of April last, I have obtained the approval of the Governor of the State for the continuation of the campaign as long as it may be necessary in the opinion of the Supreme Board, the City Council being authorized to make the necessary appropriation. In this city I find everything in good order. I am filing all the documents and can assure you that none of your instructions have been or will be unfulfilled.—*Juan F. de la Garza*, Medical Sanitary Agent.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 10th of May, 1904.

Dr. Walter Wyman, President of the Committee of American Republics, Washington.

There is a case of Yellow Fever in Veracruz, that has come from a place called «Boca del Rio.» He is perfectly isolated.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 10th of May, 1904.

Dr. Walter Wyman, President of the Committee of American Republics.—Washington, D. C.

There is a case of Yellow Fever in Tehuantepec. He is isolated.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 14th of May, 1904.

Dr. Carlos Manuel García, Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health in Commission.—Tehuantepec.

I answer your message of yesterday and congratulate you on your safe arrival after the obstacles you met.

Rent a house in which you will at once arrange a room with its doors and windows covered with fine wire cloth in order to isolate the existing Yellow Fever patients, arranging another room for the nurse, an immune, and another room in which a kitchen can be improvised; all this until you find a place better adapted to serve as a hospital. If there is no wire cloth in the town, cover the doors and windows with thin cloth that will allow the air to pass and not the mosquitos.

With the urgency required by the case, carry out the disinfection of the places that have been occupied by the last patients and the adjacent dwellings.

Organize at one the domiciliary visits and in everything

solicit the support of the political and municipal authorities, informing them that I am authorized by the Governor of the State to request all kinds of assistance from them, that I suppose said Officer will have communicated to them the necessary orders, but if they have not been received, they may believe that I have that authority.

Proceed to clean the water cisterns, cover those in which it is possible and over the others spread a layer of crude oil as is done in Veracruz; in one word, carry out each and every one of the details of the Yellow Fever campaign which you so perfectly know.

I beg you will give me daily reports of anything new that may arise and of the work done.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Dr. Carlos Manuel Garcia, Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health in Commission.—Tehuantepec.

From your message of yesterday I note your Sanitary Report on Yellow Fever in your city for the last 24 hours, and also with great satisfaction, that the special sevice was inaugurated on the same date and that the «Casa de Salud» will be ready tomorrow.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

## OFFICIAL TELEGRAM,

(Urgent)

Coatzacoalcos 17th of May, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

Two cases of Yellow Fever have occurred, one fatal

and the other serious. The Medical Delegate is here. Please give your orders on this matter.—*Joaquín Paullada*, Chief of Port.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

(Very Urgent.)

Mexico, 17th of May 1904.

Dr. Víctoriano Montalvo, Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health in Commission.—Salina Cruz, Oaxaca.

Start at once for Coatzacoalcos. Wire me today the name of the person who can take charge of the patient referred to in your message of yesterday, which I answer.

Turn over your Sanitary Office to the Chief of the Port provisionally.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

(Very Urgent.)

Mexico, 17th of May, 1904.

Chief of the Port.—Coatzacoalcos, Veracruz.

I answer your message of today.

I would be much obliged if you would have the patient referred to visited by the Medical Officer of Pearson's Company, and take care that he is isolated in the Lazaret in the screened wards. Order the house in which that patient lay and adjacent houses to be at once disinfected

with sulphureous acid. Beg the above Company's physician to kindly overlook these operations. Order that the body of the man who died of Yellow Fever should be buried in a part of the Cemetery separate from the others and mark the spot so that the ground will never be moved. Arrange to have the clothing burned and a disinfection made of everything that may have been in contact with the patient.

Please communicate to me all the data relative to your methods in these cases. The Sanitary Delegate is returning there.

I have already requested Mr. Body's authority to utilize the Company's physician.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

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OFFICIAL TELEGRAM

Mexico, 18th of May, 1904.

Dr. Carlos Manuel Garcia, Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health in Commission.—Tehuantepec.

Your message of yesterday's date informs me of the work executed by the Special Service against Yellow Fever during the last 24 hours with Sanitary Report for the same day, fresh case observed and measures adopted to prevent the spread of the disease.

Insist on the domiciliary visit, disinfect your houses and take all other measures that have been so successfully adopted in Veracruz.

I wish you to continue there until the epidemic is stamped out and afterwards proceed to Salina Cruz.

Urge on Dr. Medina Jimenez to accept the commission that I give him as he promised to do when he was here.