

Report to me the names of all the Staff that is working and is to remain there, in order that I may issue the respective appointments together with that of Dr. Medina Jimenez.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 18th of May, 1904.

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

In Coatzacoalcos, Veracruz, there is a suspected case of Yellow Fever. I will report if it is confirmed.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 18th of May, 1904.

Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health.—Coatzacoalcos.

Your message of yesterday from Salina Cruz duly noted.

Obtain exact data with regard to the cases of Yellow Fever that have been observed in that Port and report them at once.

The existing patient is under the charge of Pearson's physician at my request.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Coatzacoalcos, 18th of May, 1904.

President of the Supreme Board of Health.

I arrived on passenger train. Having seen Dr. Stubbs of S. Pearson & Son, he reported five cases of Yellow Fever, two from Santa Lucrecia, two from this place and the Captain of the brig «Arcturus.»

At this moment I am making an examination of the patients in company with Dr. Stubbs, and will communicate the result tomorrow.—*Victoriano Montalvo*, Delegate.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 19th of May, 1904.

Mr. Manuel S. Iglesias:—Veracruz.

My Esteemed Friend:

I received your letter of yesterday, in which you informed me, that with the intention of preventing the mosquitos from depositing their larvae in the pools of water that have been formed in your city through some showers, you have ordered oil to be spread over them as it is very difficult to fill them up with sand.

In answer I have to inform you that your decision appears to me very well taken, and I believe that in this manner, you will obtain the desired result.

I am as ever, yours very sincerely.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 19th of May, 1904.

Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health—Tampico.

From your message of yesterday, I note the work executed by the special service during the last 24 hours.

In accordance with an arrangement made with the Governor of the State of Nuevo Leon, I desire you to establish a service for the examination of all persons who leave for that State, so as to report their names by wire to the Sanitary Delegate in Ciudad Victoria with a note that they are healthy, as naturally you will not allow any sick person or one suspected of Yellow Fever to depart. That Delegate will in this turn report the passengers to the one in Linares and the latter to the one in Monterrey. A service in this form will give us every security that any person travelling by the railroad will be examined if he falls sick in any station. This system has been suggested to me by the fact that in Ciudad de Valles they said that the person who died there of Yellow Fever had gone from Tampico, and it appears to me that the method indicated is of unquestionable efficacy in giving us a certainty that the disease will not reappear.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 19th of May, 1904.

Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health.—Coatzacoalcos.

Your message of yesterday received. You will proceed to the absolute isolation of the patients in the Lazaret, in the screened ward; have the houses which they occupied disinfected with sulphur until you are fully certain that all mosquitos in them have died and also have all water cisterns which contain larvae cleaned out and afterwards covered with closed lids or wire guaze.

Investigate the origin of this epidemic and report by wire.

Appoint a person in your confidence to look up the new cases that might be hidden.

Report to me twice every day on whatever happens.
—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 10 of May, 1904.

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

There are four cases in Coatzacoalcos suspected of Yellow Fever.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

Government of the State of Nuevo Leon.—No. 3,915.

I have today addressed the following communication to the Secretary of the Interior:

Yesterday I wired you as follows:

«Although there are no reports of cases of Yellow Fever in Tampico, Dr. Tabor has heard some rumours that have spread on the subject and states that he will withdraw the quarantine against Monterrey, if Monterrey establishes it against Tampico.»

I have the honor to confirm it and at the same time add, that I yesterday, received from the Consul General of the United States in this city, the following note:

«In answer to my urgent requests that the State of Texas should raise its quarantine against the State of Nuevo Leon and Monterrey, Dr. Tabor, Health Officer of the State of Texas, has this morning informed me by wire that Monterrey must apply and maintain a quarantine against Tampico, before the quarantine in Texas can be raised.

I understand that certain rumours relative to Tampico have raised suspicions in Texas; and knowing that Tampico is often the starting point of Yellow Fever in this part of the country, it would appear that there is a fear, that when least expected it will run along the railroad and reach Monterrey. From my correspondence with Dr. Tabor and my conversations with his Medical Representatives, I am disposed to believe that they are confident that there is no Yellow Fever in Monterrey, and that the Sanitary condition here established is good.

What they appear to desire in order to do away with all fears, is that Monterrey should establish a quarantine

against Tampico, and then Texas will no longer have any fear of Yellow Fever coming by way of Monterrey, and will raise the present quarantine, allowing free transit between the States of Nuevo Leon and Texas.»

The above inserted note was answered as follows:

«I received your favor of yesterday, in which you inform me that the quarantine imposed by the State of Texas against Monterrey will probably be raised if this city establishes one against Tampico, which has been the origin of Yellow Fever on the two occasions when it has invaded this section. This Government is at present certain, that on the occurrence of the first case of fever in that Port, it will at once receive notice of the fact, and it does not consider that it will be just to impose a quarantine against persons from that place as long as no such case arises. Nevertheless, I have reported the matter to the Department of the Interior which is interested on account of the Federal and even International character that it has assumed, and which perhaps may take some action on the subject.»

«I have the honor to transcribe the above to you for your information and repeat the assurances of my most distinguished consideration.»

I transcribe it to you for your information.

Liberty and Constitution. Monterrey, 19th of May, 1904.—*Bernardo Reyes*.—*Ramon Chavarri*, Secretary.

To the President of the Supreme Board of Health.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM

Mexico, 20th of May, 1904.

Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health.—Coatzacoalcos.

I answer your first message of yesterday. You did quite right to move the Yellow Fever patients to the Lazaret. Make a perfect disinfection so that no mosquitos will be left alive in the places occupied by the patients and obtain the necessary information to clear up the origin of the infection.

I trust in your activity and zeal to prevent the spread of the disease. — *Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

 TELEGRAM.

Tampico, 20th of May, 1804.

Governor Bernardo Reyes, Monterrey.

I have the honor to report to you that as a matter of fact, an American Doctor at La Barra had suspicions of a case, and that when examined by Drs. Matienzo and Treviño it was found not to be Yellow Fever. I answer your message.—*Agapito Villegas*.

TELEGRAMA.

Tampico, 20th of May, 1904.

General B. Reyes, Governor of the State.

The patient under suspicion was not confirmed. There were no grounds for such a suspicion. Sanitary conditions here continue perfect.—*Felipe Gonzalez*.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 20th of May, 1904.

Dr. C. Guerra Espinosa, Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health in Commission.

By agreement with the Governor of the State of Nuevo Leon, the President of the Board desires you to establish an Inspection Service there of all the persons who depart for the above State, and report the names of those persons to the local authorities of Linares by wire, in order that in their turn they may notify those of Monterrey, with a note that they are in good health, as you naturally will not allow, sick persons or any suspected of yellow fever to start. A service in this form will give us full security that all persons travelling by rail will be examined if they fall sick in any Station. This method has been suggested to me by the fact that in Ciudad de Valles it was said that the person who died there of Yellow Fever a few days ago had gone from Tampico and because the method above indicated appears to me unquestionably efficient to prevent the reproduction of Yellow Fever.

I think it well to inform you that a similar service will be organized in Tampico, and that Dr. Antonio Matienzo, the Sanitary Delegate in that Port and in charge of the Yellow Fever Campaign will give you timely notice by wire of the persons leaving for your city.—*J. Huici*, General Secretary.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 21st of May, 1904.

Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health.—Coatzacoalcos, Veracruz.

I answer your first message of yesterday. I note that you are carrying out the disinfection of the Railroad Hospital and that you will make it so efficacious that it will be impossible for any Yellow Fever patient to contract the disease there.

It is indispensably necessary that you should investigate where the master of the «Arcturus» contracted the disease and also that you should state the amount that you require for the purchase of sulphur and bi-chloride of mercury, which I suppose you will use in the disinfection of the above vessel.—*Eduardo Liccaga*, President of the Board.

Supreme Board of Health, Mexico.—Section 1.—No. 2592.—Taking advantage of the authority which the Department of Communications and Public Works granted to this Board of Health on the 26th of June, 1899, to take

the necessary steps connected with Public Hygiene on the Railroad, I would be obliged by your issuing your orders to the proper officers, so that all the trains that leave Coatzacoalcos and Tehuantepec should be disinfected on their departure from those places, with the object of preventing the spread of Yellow Fever, of which there are at present several cases in those Towns.

I think it well to inform you that the disinfection does not cause any injury whatever to the cars, as it is executed by means of sulphureous acid vapors and its only object is to destroy the mosquitos inside the coaches. The disinfection will be made every day at the time the trains arrive at the points above mentioned, and the coaches will remain closed until they again come into service, so as to prevent any mosquitos from getting in which might be infected.

As the Company which you so worthily represent will understand, it is to its own interest to accept this measure, as the persons who travel on the line will have, up to a certain point, a guarantee that they will not contract Yellow Fever through travelling on the cars that arrive or depart from the places where that disease prevails.

Not doubting that for the sake of the public health and the convenience of your Company, you will give your orders to the proper persons so that the measure decided on may be carried out without any difficulty, I have the satisfaction of repeating to you the assurance of my distinguished consideration.

Liberty and Constitution. Mexico, 21st of May, 1904.
—*J. Huici*, General Secretary.

To Mr. J. B. Body.—S. Pearson & Co.

OFFICIAL TELEGRAM.

Mexico, 21st of May, 1904.

Delegate of the Supreme Board of Health.—Coatzacoalco.

I note your last two messages of yesterday. You can isolate the Yellow Fever patients by employing a thin cloth which will allow the passage of the air and not of the mosquitos, whenever you have no wire guaze.

I want you to give me a daily report of the work executed during the previous 24 hours in the form sent from Veracruz and which is published in *El Imparcial* as well as in other periodicals.—*Eduardo Liceaga*, President of the Board.

Government of the State of Nuevo Leon.—No. 3931.

I today write to the Secretary of the Interior as follows:

«Under yesterday's date, the Consul General of the United States in this city writes to me as follows: «I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 19th of May, 1904, referring to a quarantine against Tampico. I have today received a letter from Dr. George R. Tabor, Health Officer of the State of Texas, in which he informs me that he has received notice of a case of Yellow Fever in Tampico, and that consequently he cannot raise the quarantine against Monterrey until the State of Nuevo Leon assumes the responsibility of protecting itself against the Port of Tampico, where cases of Yellow Fever are

so frequent. I have also been directly informed from Tampico, that there is a case of Yellow Fever there and two others under suspicion. I believe you will agree that it is to the interest of Monterrey and its commerce to establish a careful watch over the Port of Tampico on this occasion. The report I have received from Tampico comes from a trustworthy and competent source. Dr. Tabor appears to agree with me that Monterrey is in no great danger from the disease, always provided that a proper quarantine is established and maintained against Tampico from the commencement of the summer, so as to guarantee that no case will pass from that locality to Monterrey.

Monterrey is now entering on a great commercial movement, the credit of which is considered due to the present Governor of this State, and we are all interested in preventing the Yellow Fever from invading this city so that trade will not be interrupted and so that the reputation of the city and of the country abroad, should be such as they merit.

I believe that Texas will raise her quarantine as soon as informed that the State of Nuevo Leon is guaranteed against Tampico.»

With reference to this note I wrote the Consul as follows:

«In your favor of yesterday's date, in which you acknowledge receipt of my previous letter of the 19th, referring to quarantine against Tampico, you state that Dr. Tabor has notified you that there was a case of Yellow Fever in Tampico which obliged him to maintain his quarantine against that Port; and that on your part, you have heard that there is not only the case of fever referred to, but also two others under suspicion.

As soon as I read your note above mentioned, I wired